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COMMENT OF THE DAY

This Time Genuine?

THE Communist "peace offensive" initiated by Mao Tse-tung immediately after the death of Stalin has still to prove itself to be one of two things—either it is the biggest propaganda hoax ever conceived, or it is a genuine attempt to ease the international situation leading to a gradual cessation of the cold war. Gratitude is lent to the new approach by the manner in which the campaign has been developed. The Communists have now gone far beyond reiterating pious generalizations concerning their desire for peace, and have, instead, advanced practical proposals which can definitely contribute to that end. The first intimation of the new approach was given in the Russian suggestion of holding a conference with the Occupation Powers in West Germany for the purpose of working out safeguards for aircraft which have to operate close to the Communist-controlled areas. The significance of this proposal was that it emanated from Russia without any prompting on the part of the West. This was forthwith followed by a Soviet expression of willingness to endeavour to secure the release of British civilian held captive by the North Koreans—all previous overtures on the part of Britain having been coldly rejected by the Kremlin. Then came the Chinese Communist and North Korean offer to exchange sick and wounded prisoners of war in accordance with the Geneva Convention—brusquely turned down by the Reds a year ago when the proposition was made by the United Nations. And finally, Chou En-lai's broadcast of this week, suggesting resumption of Korean armistice discussions on the fundamental basis already laid down by the UN.

These are developments which demand the most careful consideration. Nor should they be treated with misgiving. To the whole world it is of paramount importance that the Korean hostilities be brought to an end as speedily as possible and in accordance with the essential principles laid down and approved by the vast majority of the members of the United Nations. General Mark Clark is quite properly convinced that the Communists of this requirement in his note asking the Reds for "constructive proposals," and it is pertinent to observe that Chou En-lai, in his broadcast statement, conceded the point even though his proposals did not, in detail, conform to the exacting standards of the Indochina-Mexican plans for settling the prisoner of war repatriation issue. Chou's declaration was significant in another direction: it carefully enumerated the several points of agreement already reached by the armistice negotiators, reminding the world that only one dispute stood in the way of a final settlement. As the most ardent of the Chinese Premier's broadcast was objective, and when it became known that he refrained from using propaganda phraseology, the sincerity of Chou En-lai's proposals have, of course, got to be tested and proved, and this can only be done in the negotiators' tents at Panmunjom. The "constructive proposals" which General Mark Clark has requested must go further than the tentative suggestions so far put forward by the Communists, but the feeling remains that this time the Reds might to reach a settlement on terms that are honourable and therefore acceptable to both sides.

PEKING SUBMITS PEACE PROPOSALS TO UN

Labour Wins By Election

Barnsley, Mar. 31. (Labour) held this morning's constituency seat in the Parliamentary election by a majority of 16,378, a drop of nearly 10,000. The result, declared tonight, was Mr Roy Mason, Labour, 19,235; Mr Geoffrey Whitham, Conservative, 10,955. Labour majority 18,278.

Fifty-eight percent of the 65,351 electorate voted. At the last general election the voting percentage was 77.2.

Today, Labour's majority dropped by 9,149 votes. The by-election was caused by the resignation "for strong personal reasons" of Mr S. Schofield, the Labour member.—Reuter.

Successor To Trygve Lie Found

Soviets And West Agree At Last

United Nations, Apr. 1. Russia and the Western Powers last night agreed on Mr Dag Hammarskjöld, 48, a Swedish economist, to be the new United Nations Secretary-General in succession to Mr Trygve Lie.

The agreement came at a private meeting of the "Big Five"—Britain, France, Russia, the United States and Nationalist China.

And the Security Council, in a closed session after approved their recommendation by ten votes to none, with Nationalist China abstaining.

The news of the Big Powers' agreement was hailed here last night as a major break in the cold war.

Mr Hammarskjöld was described by his friends as "witty and clever." He is a member of an aristocratic Swedish family and in his younger days he was a keen mountaineer.

AN EXPERT

Mr Hammarskjöld is an expert on modern Swedish literature and is well known to European statesmen through his work as Swedish representative to the office of European Economic Co-operation when it was being founded. An expert on economic and financial affairs, he was at one time Sweden's Finance Minister.

One of the major effects of the agreement on Mr Hammarskjöld is that for the first time since 1950, the Secretary-General of the United Nations will be recognised by Russia.

Mr Hammarskjöld can be a vital element in any approach towards reducing tension between the East and West.

For the first time since 1950, both the West and the Soviet Union have another channel of communication open to them in the person of a Secretary-General acceptable to both sides.

Mr Hammarskjöld returned to Sweden two weeks ago after serving as Chairman of the Swedish delegation to the present session of the General Assembly.

The salary of the Secretary-General is \$40,000 (about £10,200) a year tax free, together with a house and servants, a car and a chauffeur, \$10,000 (about £2,570) travelling expenses and \$5,000 (about £1,285) living allowance.

When Mr Lie retires, he will receive a pension of \$10,000 a year.—Reuter.

Minister Hurt In Accident

London, Mar. 31. Miss Florence Macbride, British Education Minister, was hurt in a car collision here today.

She was hurt forward into the windscreen and suffered injuries to her face and neck when her car was struck by a lorry.

Full Debate In The Assembly Likely

United Nations, Mar. 31. Communist China today formally submitted her new Korean peace proposals to the United Nations.

It appeared that the Communists will seek endorsement of the plan by the General Assembly.

The Chinese Premier and Foreign Minister, Chou En-lai, cabled his proposals—first revealed in a Peking Radio broadcast on Monday—to the General Assembly's President, Mr Lester Pearson, of Canada.

These proposals, which raised high hopes here that the Korean war can be settled, appeared to accept the principle of voluntary repatriation of prisoners, providing that those unwilling to go home would become the wards of a neutral state.

Chou's cable to Mr Pearson requested that the text of his peace offer be circulated as an official United Nations document.

The net effect of this cable, according to diplomats here, was to turn the suggestions contained in Chou's broadcast into a formal peace proposal.

But Chou specified that the document is not to be made available to the Chinese Nationalist delegation here.

Diplomats predicted that Chou's move was likely to reopen the full Korean debate in the Assembly. They stressed the fact that Peking sent its formal proposal here before making it available at Panmunjom was an indication that the Communists wanted an Assembly endorsement of their new blueprint for Korean peace.

This reasoning also seemed to fit in with a Moscow dispatch that Mr Andrei Vyshinsky, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, had now been brought up to the Red Korean proposals in the United Nations.

Mr Vyshinsky submitted his credentials today and it was anticipated that he would make any move for reopening the Korean debate soon.

Chou's cable arrived as the inclination to hold here to immediate truce negotiations to the military in the field.—United Press.

LONDON REACTIONS

London, Mar. 31. British opinion generally sees in the Chinese Communist proposals on the future of prisoners of war in Korea constructive new basis on which armistice talks could be resumed.

All that a Foreign Office spokesman would say this morning was that Britain is now in consultation with the United States, France, the Commonwealth governments and other interested powers on the Chinese proposals. But a statement formally defining the British view is expected in Parliament tomorrow.

The most delicate point of negotiations when they are reopened is thought here to be the question of the choice of a neutral state.

In the British view this must be a country which is neutral in spirit as well as in letter.

A state which was merely technically neutral, not a party to the Korean war would not necessarily satisfy Western opinion.

The four-power commission proposed in the Indian plan comprised Sweden, Switzerland, Poland and Czechoslovakia. But a Communist state, even if technically neutral, would probably not satisfy Western opinion.

But observers here believe that there is a good chance that renewed armistice negotiations will in fact now succeed.

Mr Chou En-lai's proposal, it is pointed out, was made shortly after his return to Peking from Moscow where he had attended Stalin's funeral. Consequently it is assumed that the Chinese Premier's proposals were the result of discussions with top Soviet leaders and to have Soviet blessing.

The Chinese proposals are taken here as definite evidence that for the moment at least the Communist world as a whole wishes for a reduction of tension with the West and is adjusting its tactics, if not its strategy, to that end. Soviet Russia rejected the Indian proposal at the United Nations.—Reuter.

PROPOSALS DISCUSSED

Washington, Mar. 31. President Eisenhower was understood today to have discussed the latest Chinese proposals for a Korean armistice with the United States highest security and planning body, the National Security Council.

Today's meeting, over which the President presided, was the first of two high-level secret conferences at which the suggestions announced by the Chinese Prime Minister, Mr Chou En-lai, are understood to have headed the agenda.

President Eisenhower had been expected to seek advice from the Secretaries of State and Defense on crucial decisions he may be called on to make soon towards bringing the fighting in Korea to an end.—Reuter.

DEMARCATION

London, Mar. 31. A Komsomol newspaper's correspondent in Tokyo said today observers there noted that in his message to the Communist General Assembly this afternoon General Mark Clark had drawn a line of demarcation between exchange of prisoners and further change of prisoners and further change of prisoners and further change of prisoners.

The only difficulty, assuming both sides agree on return of prisoners willing to be repatriated, the correspondent said, will be to find suitable home for the thousands of Communists who refuse repatriation.

Meanwhile, Japanese faced with the prospect of a visible end to the war and cessation of buying by the United States continued to react violently to the dispatch said, adding shots in heavy industries and munitions were falling sharply.—Reuter.

CHRISTIE CHARGED WITH MURDER

London, Mar. 31. John Christie, quarry of one of the biggest man-hunts ever staged in Britain was charged with murder tonight while police still searched his house for bodies.

The 56-year-old clerk was accused of killing his wife Ethel, aged 54.

Found today after a six-day hunt, Christie will appear at West London Magistrate's Court tomorrow morning.

For nine hours today Scotland Yard detectives questioned him about four strangled women—one of them his wife—found hidden in a Notting Hill slum flat exactly a week ago.

The bones of two other victims were unearthed from the garden.

Tall police constable Thomas Ledger ended the weeklong search for Christie this morning as he patrolled the Embankment of the River Thames.

Alerted by descriptions of Christie, broadcast throughout Britain he looked twice at a shabby, unshaven man in a tatty hat leaning over the Embankment watching barges being loaded.

He kept watch from behind a tree until he was sure, then approached the man and asked him to take off his hat.

GIVES FALSE NAME

The bald head which for days has appeared on every newspaper front page was revealed and it was unmistakably Christie, though he gave a false name.

Christie spoke quietly to the policeman and made no fuss as he was put into a police van and driven to Putney Police Station, which is only about five miles from the tenement at 10, Rillington Place, where the strangled bodies of his victims were found.

One of these victims was Christie's 44-year-old wife Ethel, found under the floorboards. Three other women, huddled in a cupboard sealed by wallpaper, were found to be young women.

Police scientists have not yet established whether the bones in the garden belonged to two or three other women.

At the police station Christie was found to be weak with exhaustion and hunger. From his grimy, unshaven face it appeared he had been sleeping out of doors while the hue and cry for him was on.

He was given a meal of bacon and tea. Then Scotland Yard men started their cross-examination.

For eight hours a crowd of hundreds—mostly women—waited outside the police station in the hope of catching a glimpse of the meek-looking bespectacled clerk, 55 years old.

CROWD HOWLS

But it was not until after five p.m. that a van drove out and a policeman told the spectators Christie was inside. The crowd howled its disappointment at not being allowed to catch a glimpse of him.

The van drove the clerk, shabby in a grey suit to Notting Hill Police Station, the scene of the crimes, and there he was kept and questioned again.

Reports flooding in tonight made it clear that throughout the week he has been hunted Christie never stayed more than a few miles from the gruesome house in a blind alley where the murders were committed.

He did not seek lodgings but slept anywhere there was shelter in disused bathhouses along the river or on benches.

A waitress reported that she served him with lunch at a Putney cafe yesterday.

Last night a man who knew Christie said he had been spotted resembling him sleeping in the back of a van parked over a park.

Top picture shows No. 10 Rillington Place, Notting Hill, where police have found the remains of five murdered women. Above, detectives inspect the garden of the house where they discovered bodies and clothing of the fifth victim. It was in the same house that Timothy Evans strangled his wife and baby daughter in 1949 and for which crime he paid the extreme penalty. A man named Christie has now been charged with murder.—London Express pictures.

A Reuter photo study of John Christie just received in Hongkong.

Notting Hill Murder House



Suspected Reds Arrested

Singapore, Mar. 31. Police cracked down on a communication centre of the Malayan Communist Party on Sunday and arrested five Chinese suspected of being liaison members between Malaya and Singapore terrorists. It was announced today.

The Director of the Special Branch, A. G. Blades, told a press conference that information obtained in the raid led to two further arrests on Sunday.—United Press.

Mau Mau Threat To Nairobi

Nairobi, Mar. 31. Mau Mau is now threatening Nairobi, capital of Kenya Colony and Home Guard patrols are to keep watch on the streets and vulnerable suburbs day and night, it was announced here today.

This city of 14,000 Europeans, 40,000 Asians and 77,000 Africans, sprawls over a wide area and is open to any determined night attack, according to senior military and police officials.

The threat has been growing steadily in the last fortnight. Already many of the European women and children in the suburbs gather in selected houses and sleep in groups with their husbands and fathers are out on patrol.

The Government said today that beginning next Monday Home Guards will patrol continuously and will provide a warning system. If raiders sweep on any particular area police and troops reinforcements for whom began arriving by air from Britain today—can be rushed at once to the post.

The Government has agreed to release staff for these patrols and has appealed to other employees to give men time off for patrol duties.

Security forces today received the first order, plans to be used to bomb and state raiding bands. The aircraft were flown to Eastleigh airfield here today by Royal Air Force instructors.

The Colony's Governor, Sir Evelyn Baring, today announced the members of a Cabinet committee on African advancement—five members of the Government with himself as chairman.

The Committee is to consider the Government's programmes to improve the economic and social life of the African and report whether and how they can be improved.—Reuter.

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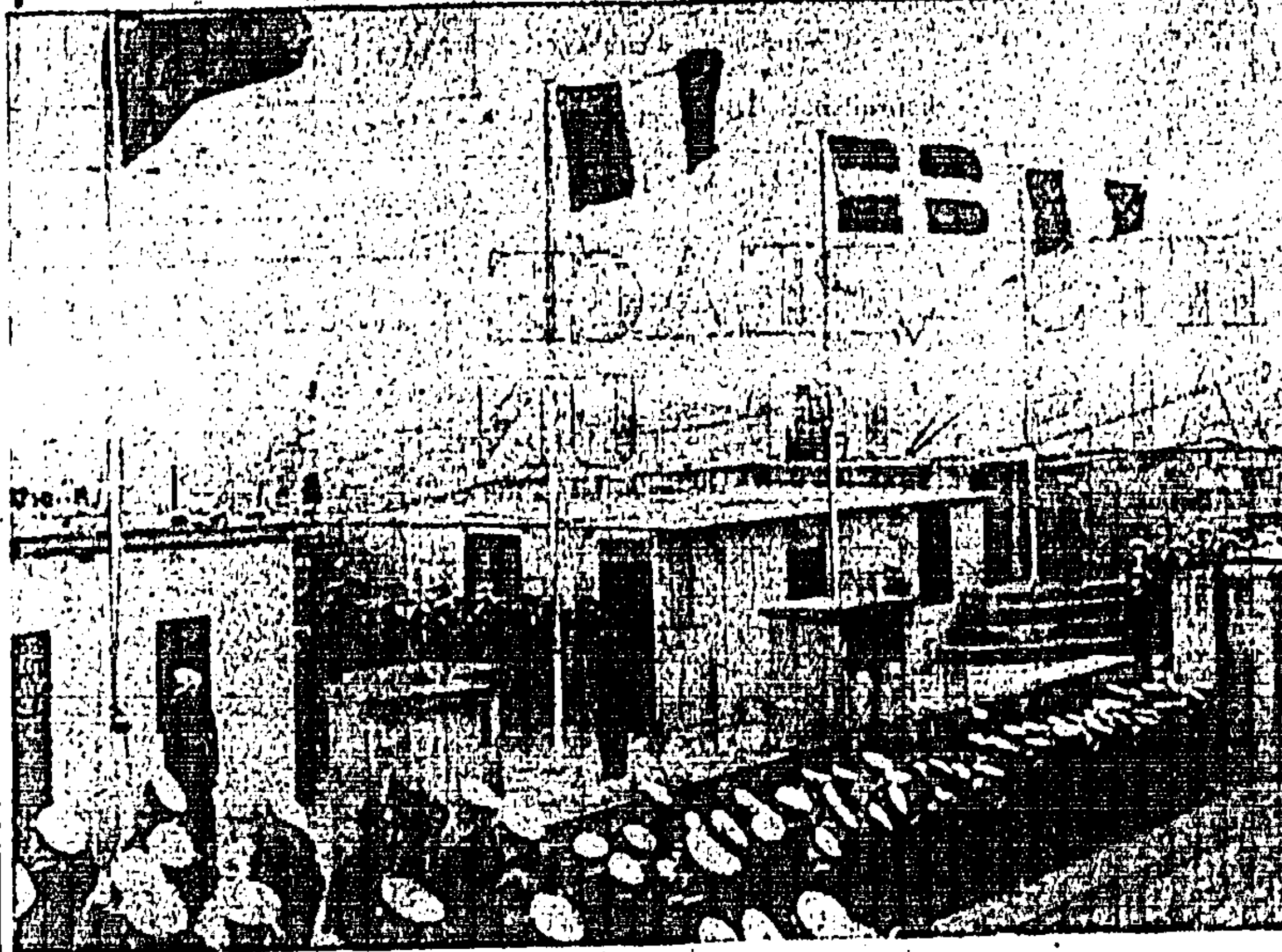
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On March 15, Admiral the Earl Mountbatten of Burma took over as Allied Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, and the new N.A.T.O. command was activated following a ceremony to mark the occasion at Malta. Here the flags of Turkey, Italy, Greece and France are unfurled at Lascaris, Malta, during the ceremony.—Express Photo.

EGYPTIANS ON GRAFT CHARGES

Cairo, Mar. 31. A number of civilians will soon be tried in anti-graft courts in Egypt on charges of corruption and abuse of power under previous governments, Fund Galal, Minister of National Guidance, announced at a Press conference today.

Galal said that if, during the civilian trials in the anti-graft courts, charges arise concerning ex-king Farouk, he will be tried in absentia.

Galal said that all the military accused arrested after last January's coup d'état have been tried by the Revolutionary Court.

The Revolutionary Court announced on Monday that Raouf Mehanna, a former Regent of Egypt, had been sentenced to 25 years imprisonment, the equivalent of a life sentence, while other Army officers and three civilians received sentences ranging from one to 25 years.—Associated Press.

Swearing-In Of Marshal Slim

Canberra, Mar. 31. Mr R. G. Menzies, the Prime Minister, announced today that Field-Marshal Sir William Slim will be sworn in as Governor-General of Australia on May 8.

Sir William Slim was to have been sworn in in the Senate chamber on March 25. But 24 hours before he was due to leave Britain, on February 24, his departure was delayed by Mr Churchill so that his views on Middle East defence would be available to the Government.—Reuter.

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Eisenhower Has One Of World's Toughest Jobs

Washington, Mar. 31.

President Dwight Eisenhower has found after his first few months in office that the Presidency of the United States is one of the world's toughest jobs.

By normal American Big Business standards, it is also underpaid. The nation gives its President a fixed salary of 100,000 dollars (about \$35,714 Sterling) a year. Thousands of American businessmen earn more than that, many of them five times as much.

The present Secretary of Defence, Mr Charles E. Wilson, for example, was getting 600,000 dollars a year as head of the General Motors Corporation before he entered Government service.

Yet the Presidency demands that the holder of the office combine the functions of a monarch, a corporation executive, a politician, a diplomat, and a time-expense man at the same time, exposing him to shoulder alone tremendous responsibilities affecting the peace and security of the world.

The strain of the office has killed some Presidents and seriously damaged the health of others—but never in history has a President of the United States resigned.

PAYS TAXES

As the President obviously could not live on his salary alone, the nation through Congress gives him a 50,000 dollar (about £17,000 Sterling) expense allowance and another 40,000 dollars (about £14,285 Sterling) for travel and entertainment.

But like any average citizen, the President has to pay taxes on his income and buy the family groceries out of his own pocket.

When he was sworn into office last January 20, Mr Eisenhower left behind him the comparatively sheltered life of the Army and of College President, and accepted cheerfully a job in which he has to:

1. Perform many of the ceremonial functions of a King—without much of the glamorous ceremony usually associated with monarchy.

2. Manage the nation and the Executive Branch of the Government like a giant complex business enterprise—although Congress controls the money and lays down the laws under which he must operate.

3. Lead the armed services as their Commander-in-Chief—but not as a civilian and not a military man.

CAN'T PASS BUCK

On top of this, the President is responsible for the conduct of the nation's foreign affairs and is the leader of his own, in this case the Republican, party. He is probably the only man in the United States who cannot "pass the buck"—that is, evade responsibility or blame by passing it along to someone else.

When former President Harry Truman occupied the White House, he had a constant reminder of this in the form of a little sign on his desk reading: "The buck stops here".

More than 230 officials have direct access to him with urgent problems at any time. The United States Code has 800 sections which impose one or more duties, powers and functions on him.

The President can, and does, delegate some of these duties. But he cannot delegate responsibility.

To help him cope with the business of office, Mr Eisenhower has six administrative assistants, a legal adviser, personal aide, and three secretaries—for appointments, the Press and correspondence, respectively. He has also three military aides and a personal doctor.

CONSTANT GUARD

To his intimate friends, Mr Eisenhower has confided that he does not particularly like the restrictions which his position places on his earlier freedom to do what he likes and when he likes.

Wherever he goes, outside his private living quarters, Mr Eisenhower is closely guarded by a hand-picked detail of Secret Service men charged to lay down their lives if necessary in the protection of the President and his family.

Like Mr Truman and other Presidents, Mr Eisenhower, who has given proof of his ability to protect himself in war, does not like to be constantly under guard. But he recognises the need for it since two American Presidents have been assassinated and several others, including Mr Truman, narrowly escaped death or injury at the hands of fanatics.

As President, Mr Eisenhower now has to give serious thought to every public statement, no matter how brief.

A few careless words could cause fluctuations on the world's stock markets or anxious flutterings in world capitals.

Even a short Press release must be worded so exactly that its meaning cannot possibly be misunderstood by the 1,700 daily newspapers in the United States and the thousands of news editors in other countries who subject it to the closest scrutiny.—Reuter.

Japanese Get TV At 4s. A Month

(From Russell Spurr)

Tokyo, Apr. 1. TV has come to Tokyo. Fan-fluttering geishas, half-clad chorus girls, actors, clowns, and Cabinet Ministers are flickering across the pale blue screens for five hours a day.

The programmes are proving a sensational success.

The State-controlled broadcasting system is already pushing through plans for nation-wide expansion.

Within the next five years all but the remotest parts of Japan will be in TV range. Four central transmitters and 28 relay stations will be on the air eight hours a day.

The great industrial cities of Osaka and Nagoya are due to start their own transmissions this autumn.

COMPETITION

By then there will be competition from commercial television.

The Nippon Television Network, backed by millionaire showman Matsuro Shiraki, goes on the air this month.

Viewers pay 4s. a month for a licence—about the inflated price of a bottle of beer. British TV licence at £2 a year is 3s. 4d. a month.

One enterprising firm is designing a £13 set with plastic cabinet and seven-inch screen. Another has produced a colour receiver to be marketed eventually at around £75.

The Japanese expect rich export markets to spring up in South America and South-East Asia.

And, as usual, they mean business.—London Express Service.

'Playing' Means That They Are Learning

London, Mar. 31.

If a child comes home from school and says, "I've been playing all day," a parent can be certain that the schooling is going well, said Miss E. R. Boyce, an expert in the teaching of young children, who addressed parents of pupils at Rhodes Avenue Infants' School, Wood Green.

Miss Boyce said statistics showed a very small percentage of illiterates, and these included those whose mental equipment did not allow them to be taught. The facts were not as terrible as some people made them out to be.

SOME CRITICISM

There had been some criticism, she said, as to whether the schools today were doing their job properly.

It had been suggested that at modern schools boys and girls do more playing than learning. Today the aim was to create a child's world, with simple reading material of different kinds, from the very earliest days.

Pupils were brought into touch with this material in a variety of so-called play methods, and they read simple words linked with pictures.

Mayer On The Way Home

Ottawa, Mar. 31.

M. Rene Mayer, the French Prime Minister, left Ottawa for New York by air today on his way back to France after talks in Washington and Ottawa.

With him were the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, and the Finance Minister, M. Maurice Bourges-Maunoury.

In Ottawa, in conferences with Canadian officials, they agreed to establish a committee of experts to work out a satisfactory balance of trade between the two countries.—Reuter.

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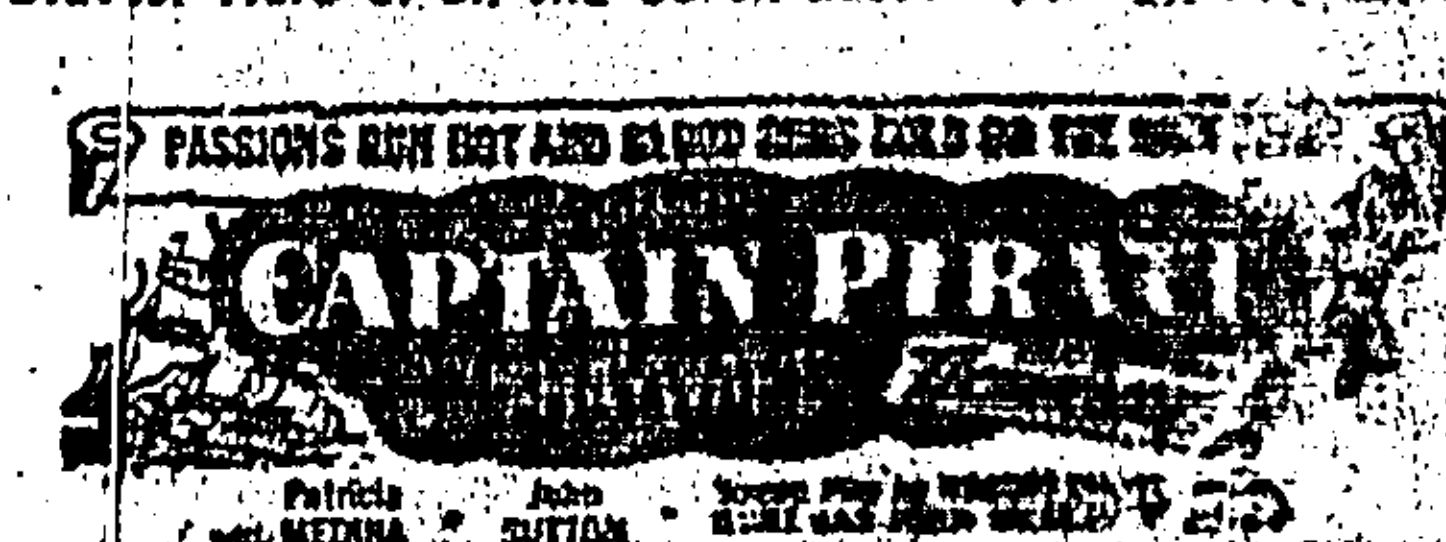
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New Delhi Loses Out On Deal

Bombay, Mar. 31. A six-year-old Indo-Japanese textile deal is being seriously re-examined by the Indian Commerce Ministry as the transaction resulted in a loss of 5,000,000 rupees to the Indian Exchequer.

It is officially reported that the deal was carried out by a few senior officials of the Supply Ministry in 1947 without informing the then Indian Cabinet regarding the details.

In that year the U.S. Commerce Department placed an order with the Indian Embassy in Washington for the purchase of 80,000,000 yards of Japanese cloth.

But after the deal was made it was discovered that the cloth would be unsuitable due to high prices and the unsuitability of certain types.

The cost of the Japanese cloth at Bombay was found to be more than 200 to 300 per cent of Indian ex-mill selling prices. Meanwhile, Japan had already exported 50,000,000 yards of cloth direct to various countries and prices began to fall in South-East Asian markets, so that when India re-exported the balance of the Japanese cloth she could do so only at a considerable loss.

A departmental inquiry in the conduct of the officials responsible for the deal has been instituted and the Government have decided that in future all such transactions be examined at all levels—Cabinet, Ministerial and Secretariat—United Press.

Don't Disturb Baby Just For Visitors

London, Mar. 31. Ideas on parents' "do's" and "don'ts" for young children have been published by Dr. Robert Shields, of Alcester Road, Dulwich, a London County Council psychiatrist.

Dr. Shields has two under-fives of his own. Here are some of his suggestions: Give a child a cot in a room of its own to help it get the sleep it needs. It is not necessary to bring up relatives and friends to "eroon over the sleeping child." There is plenty of time during the day to do that.

To separate mother from child is bad. "Some day medical and nursing staffs at all our hospitals will have to take notice of the effects of separation—and open their wards to the little child whose mother is a patient."

The only child is lonely. Parents should keep their doors open for other children to come in and play. Twins should not be dressed alike. They should be helped to develop individually. They will keep together, defend each other, and stay close naturally.

Alleged Nazi Released

Bonn, Mar. 31. The British authorities today released from custody, on the grounds of ill-health, Karl Kaufmann, one of the seven suspected Nazis of the Naumann Group arrested last January, the British High Commission announced.

The short High Commission announcement added that the release had been granted with the concurrence of the German authorities.

No further details were given.

Kaufmann is one of the three members of the Naumann group whose habeas corpus pleas were still pending before a British High Commission court in Germany. — Reuter.

CUNARD COMING TO FAR EAST

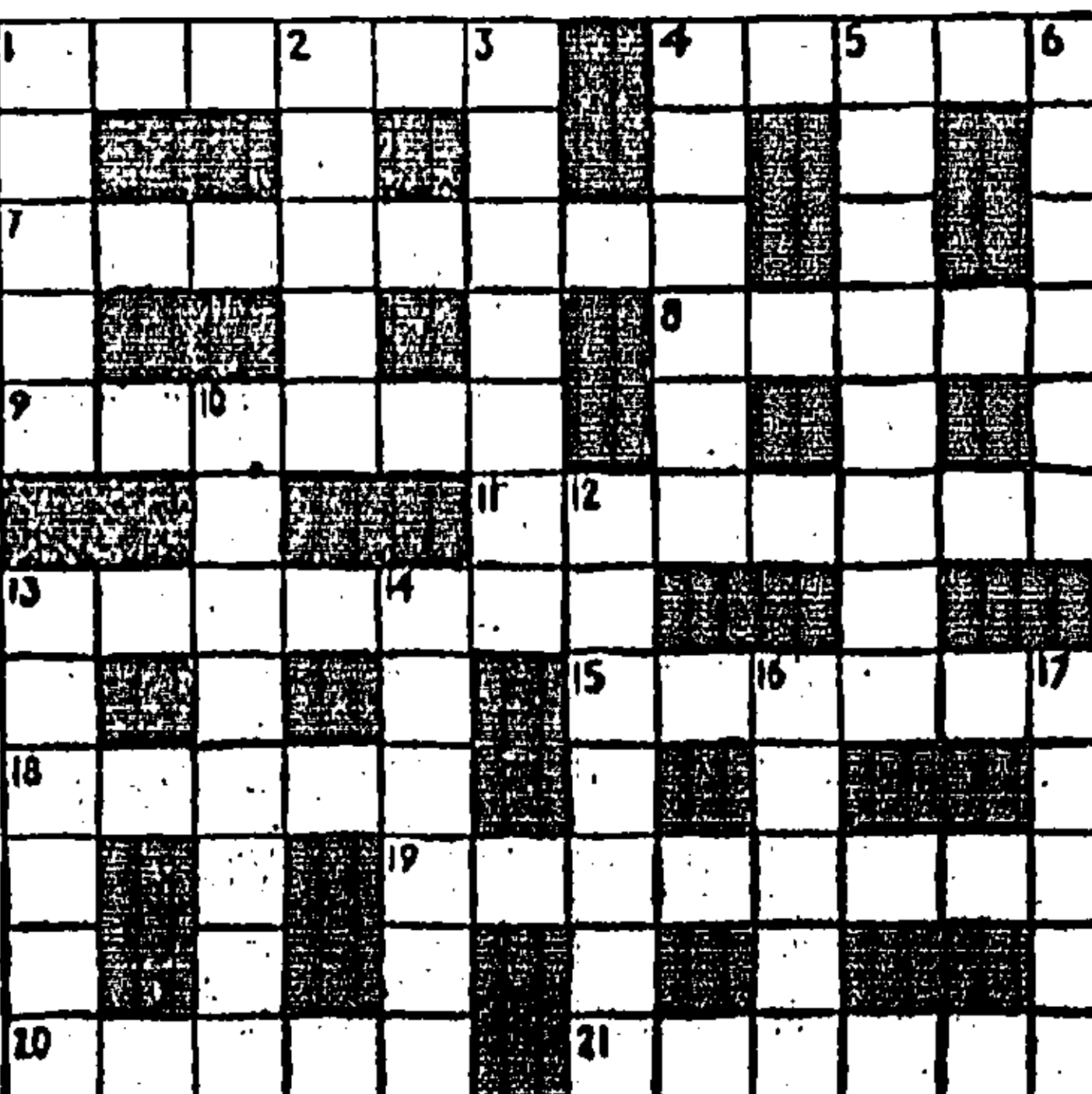
London, Mar. 31. The 34,000-ton Caronia, British liner which runs special "millionaire" cruises for Americans to bring British dollars, will sail from New York next January 23 on a 90-day cruise to Japan and the South Pacific, the Cunard Steamship Company announced.

The Caronia, on this first post-war luxury cruise to Japan, will call at 24 ports in 18 countries, and her 33,500-mile itinerary includes a five-day visit to Yokohama during cherry blossom time.

From Yokohama, she will go on to Honolulu and the cruise ends at New York on May 2, 1954.

On May 5 this year the Caronia sails from New York on a 35-day Coronation cruise, which will take her to 11 ports in Africa and Europe before her arrival at Southampton on June 1 in time for her passengers to see the Coronation in London the next day. — Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Fractures (6).
 - Happen again (5).
 - Almshouse (8).
 - Indian coin (5).
 - Sitting (6).
 - Unaffected (7).
 - Supports (7).
 - Unexpected (6).
 - Overnight (5).
 - Piece of tissue (8).
 - Bombard (5).
 - Stable (6).
- DOWN**
- Alloy (5).
 - Foreign (5).
 - Salary (7).
 - Rue (6).
 - Likened (6).
 - Dislike (6).
 - True (8).
 - Takes for granted (7).
 - Directs (6).
 - Usual (6).
 - Mournful tune (6).
 - Poor (5).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Stew, 4 Renders, 8 Apex, 9 Scan, 10 Giraffe, 11 Deal, 12 Pile, 14 Letters, 17 Inert, 19 Carve, 22 Tenders, 26 Slip, 27 Rift, 28 Baronet, 29 Exam, 30 Seer, 31 Despoils, 32 Note. Down: 2 Tocals, 3 Wander, 4 Regal, 5 Exited, 6 Draft, 7 Refer, 12 Pint, 13 Lean, 15 Earl, 16 Sleep, 18 Arrest, 20 Antenn, 21 Vacant, 23 Tyards, 24 Droop, 25 Siles.

Soviet Retail Prices Cut

London, Mar. 31. Moscow Radio announced tonight that the Soviet Government has offered a 10 per cent cut in the retail prices of meat, fruit, vegetables, beans and peas and a 15 per cent cut in the retail prices of meat products. The cuts operate from tomorrow.

Other price cuts, the Radio said, will be: cotton and natural silk, 15 per cent; wool and wool mixtures five per cent; linen eight per cent; socks and stockings 30 per cent; felt hats 15 per cent and straw hats 10 per cent. The price reductions are the sixth to be introduced in Russia since the rouble reform of 1947, and the Russian Government paper, Izvestia, said that the cuts would mean a 35 per cent rise in the Russians' real wages.

Other Russian newspapers have recently emphasised the promising outlook for an improved standard of living. — Reuter.

France-Press adds that the radio announcement was greeted with enthusiasm by the population who gathered around loudspeakers to listen with interest.

Pandit Nehru On Nationalist Troops In Burma Could Create New Situation

Rangoon, Mar. 31. Mr. Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, said today that if the strength of the Chinese Nationalist troops in Burma grew considerably beyond their present strength it would create a new world situation.

The question would then arise from where and how these men continue to come. This was certainly a world issue, said Mr. Nehru.

Burma's reference of the issue to the United Nations would help draw world attention to this important matter, he said, adding that the United Nations did not decide anything but kept things hanging.

Allison Nomination Approved

Washington, Mar. 31. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee gave its approval today to John M. Allison as Ambassador to Japan.

Senator Alexander Wiley (Republican - Wisconsin) told reporters after the Committee session that Mr. Allison suggested that the U.S. proceed cautiously in accepting Communist proposals for an exchange of prisoners of war in Korea.

Senator Wiley said, however, that Mr. Allison called the Communist offer a "good omen."

He said we will have to look at Southeast Asia, India, China, Berlin, the Near East and other trouble spots to learn whether there is really any change of heart on the part of the Communists. — Associated Press.

The nomination of Mr. Allison now goes to the Senate for expected approval. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles informed the Committee the FBI had cleared Mr. Allison after a full field investigation.

In another diplomatic matter, the Foreign Relations Committee today withheld action on President Dwight D. Eisenhower's nomination of William Howard Taft, III, as Ambassador to Ireland. This was due to the fact that the Federal Bureau of Investigation has not yet completed its inquiry into his background. He is the son of Senator Robert A. Taft (Republican - Ohio). — Associated Press.

TWO RESIGNATIONS

Washington, Mar. 31. President Eisenhower today accepted the resignation of the Ambassador in New Delhi, Mr. Chester Bowles, whose replacement by Mr. George V. Allen has already been confirmed by the Senate.

The President also accepted the resignation of the Ambassador to Italy, Mr. Ellsworth Bunker, who will be replaced by Mr. Claire Booth Luce. — France-Press.

THOREZ MAKES APPLICATION

Bonn, Mar. 31. An application from the French Communist leader, Maurice Thorez, to cross West Germany on his way back to France from Moscow has been received in Bonn, usually well-informed Allied sources said today.

These sources said the application would be considered by a tripartite body today or tomorrow. — Reuter.

U.S. INVESTIGATORS

Paris, Mar. 31. A delegation of members of the United States Foreign Relations Committee, flying to Pakistan and India to study political and economic situations in these countries, arrived at Orly Airport today.

On the same plane with the Committee members was the United States Ambassador to France, Mr. Douglas Dillon.

The American representatives, who will also study questions connected with the Mutual Security Administration in India and Pakistan, will remain in Karachi tomorrow morning.

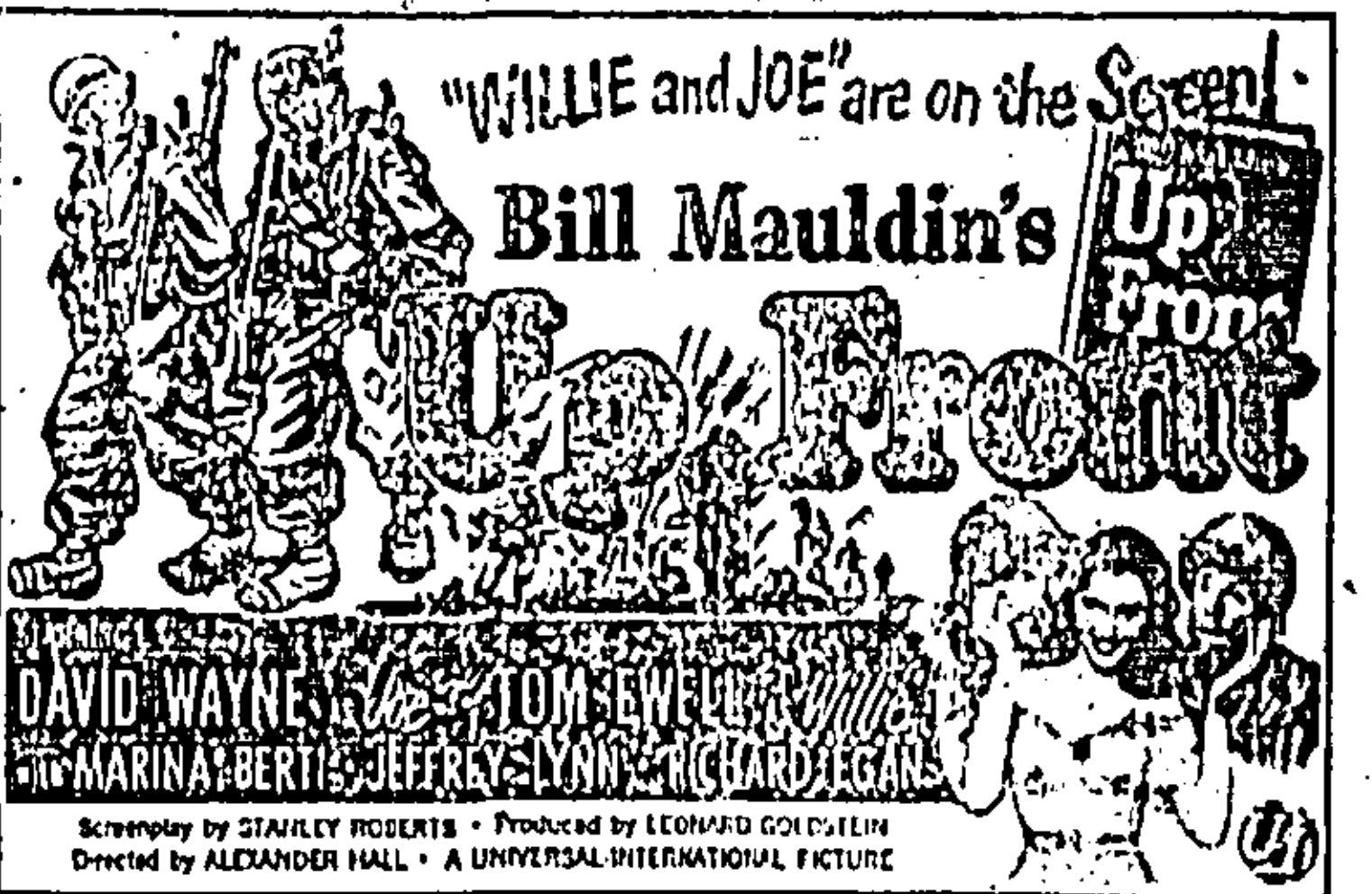
The delegation includes the Republican Senator from Minnesota, Mr. Walter Judd, the Republican Senator from New Hampshire, Mr. Chester Morrow, and the Democrat Senator from Wisconsin, Mr. Clement Zablocki. — France-Press.

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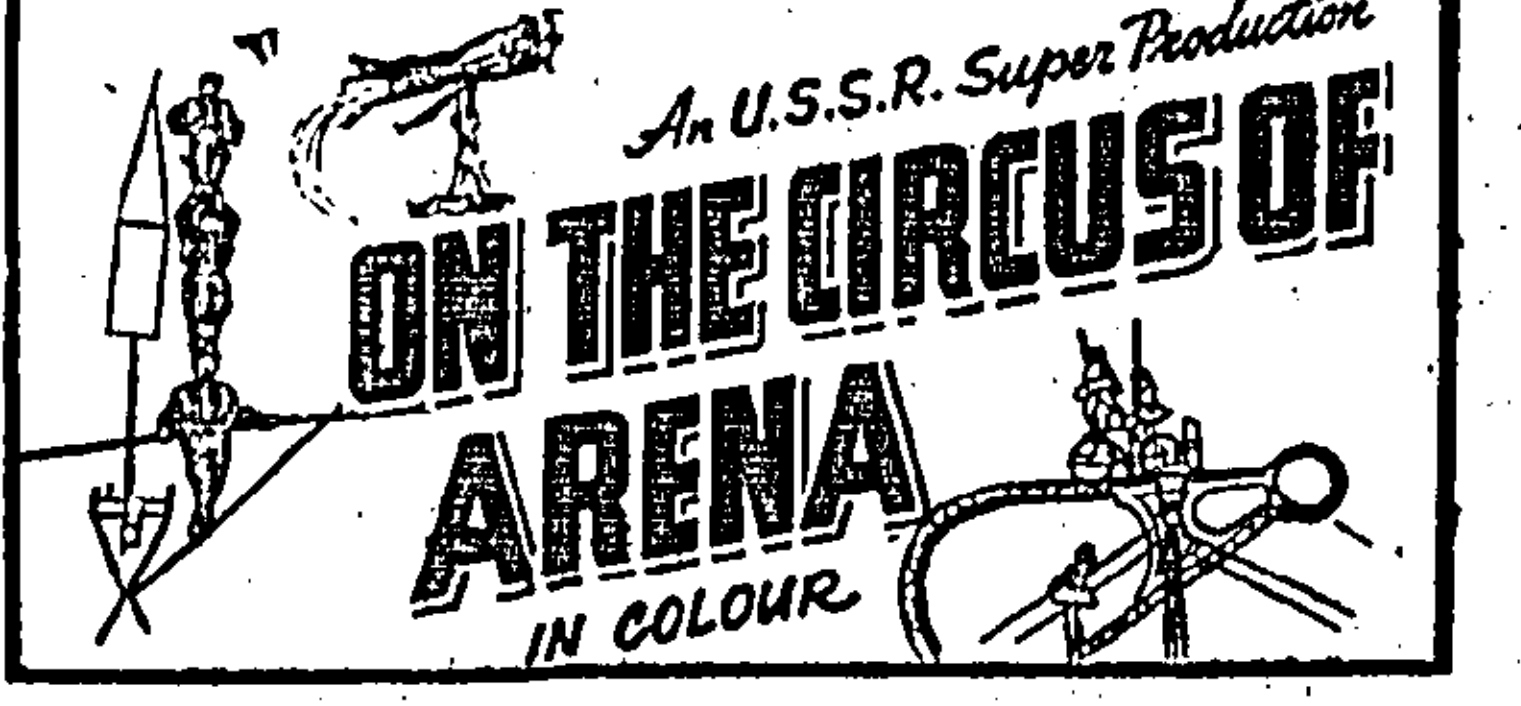


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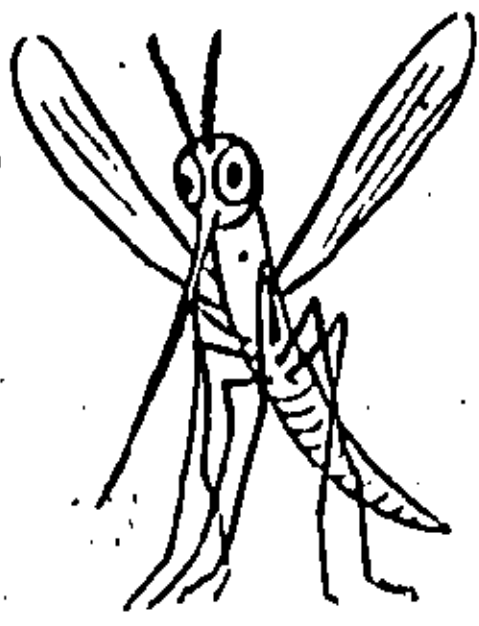
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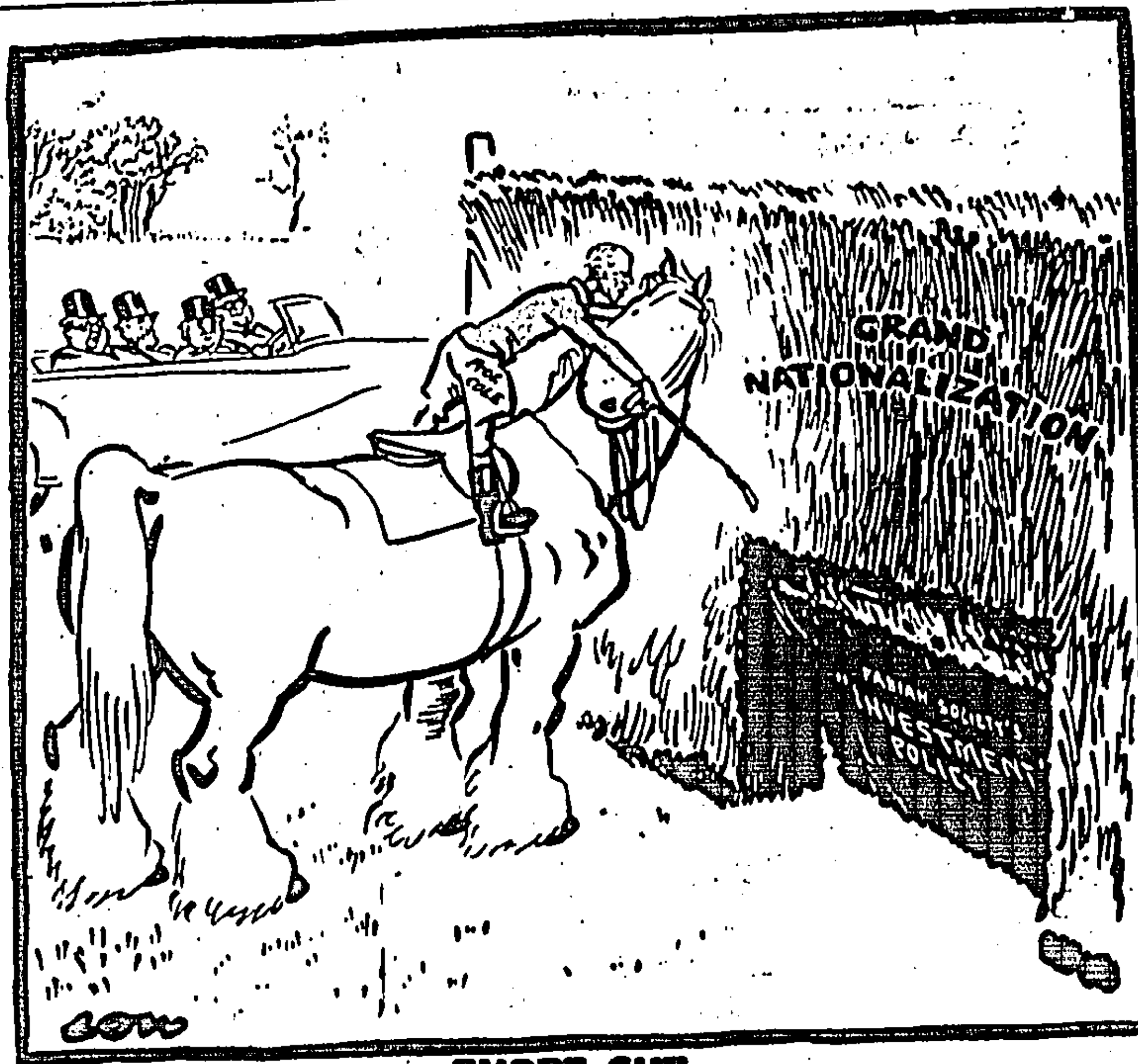


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SHORT CUT

STRONG HANDS MUST GUARD CANAL ZONE

By VAUGHAN JONES

THE heat haze shimmered over Egypt's desert and the Suez Canal that cuts through it, like a highway, from the blue Mediterranean towards the Red Sea's blaze.

Flanking that hundred mile long Imperial lifeline, British troops train and manoeuvre, and tanks and armoured cars roll across the sun-scorched Egyptian soil.

Overhead, British planes streak through Egypt's steel-blue sky. Away on the desert horizon, British soldiers and technicians man vital strong points and military installations.

Few of the troops still have much interest in the liners and warships, tankers and tramps of all countries—over thirty a day—that glide through the desert waterway, back to the Mediterranean and Atlantic, or out towards Asia and beyond.

Britain's soldiers and airmen, nearly eighty thousand of them, are more anxious to know whether they are soon to be withdrawn from garrisoning the world's largest military base and guarding the vital waterway linking West with East.

TWO ISSUES

FROM Cairo they have been assured—by Egyptian spokesmen—that Anglo-Egyptian talks, leading to their evacuation, will soon begin.

From London and Washington has come news that some "solution" to the Canal Zone problem must be found.

Upon two issues, not only the British, but the American and other NATO generals are agreed: No other Middle East area can match the Zone as a base. And the base must be held in strong and friendly hands.

For Egypt, on the crossroads of Europe and Asia, provides the key to the Middle East, an area from which troops can be easily deployed in any direction. Based on Alexandria, one of the few good harbours in the Eastern Basin and close to the Canal, NATO sea-power could exert its influence in Greek, Turkish and Levantine waters—provided the Egyptian Government again puts her great port at the West's disposal.

DISASTROUS

MOREOVER, the force occupying the Canal Zone commands a waterway whose safe passage in peace and war is vital, not only to the British Commonwealth, but to the U.S.—which now controls almost a third of its traffic—and the whole Western world.

The occupation of the Zone, and thence Egypt, by an enemy, besides splitting the Western world from the East, would have disastrous results. It would provide the enemy with a springboard for conquering the African continent.

To the West it is essential, therefore, that the Canal Zone remains either under British command or under the command of an Allied coalition powerful enough to defend it in time of emergency pending the arrival of reinforcements.

This is the issue which is causing NATO's generals to ponder.

TURNED DOWN

IF the British were to submit now to Naguib's demands for evacuation, the Egyptian army by itself would be incapable of affording the Zone adequate protection. Neither has Egypt sufficient trained officers and men to run the Zone's great military installations.

At this moment, in addition to the operational troops in the area, there are 15,000 British soldiers and 5,000 airmen, many of

whom are skilled tradesmen, assisted by 10,000 East Africans and 5,000 Mauritians manning these.

General Naguib, though ready on occasion to listen to Washington's advice, has till now, at least, turned down suggestions that an international force comprised of British, U.S., French and Turkish troops, in union with the Egyptian army, should join in forming a new defence system. With nationalist pride, and perhaps influenced by Moscow's warning, he has refused to recognise the international character of the area.

Guarding the Canal and the Nile-Delta, the base is a strong point of Egypt, and contains airfields, outposts, and includes the U.S. has constructed in North Africa.

Militarily, it has two sharply defined functions.

The one is to act as a protective area and storehouse for all the implements of war needed to equip and rapidly transform great bodies of trained men into army divisions and air force squadrons ready to be launched for battle in any direction.

DUAL PURPOSE

THE other is to guard the Imperial highway which cuts the London-Bombay sea journey by 4,500 miles, the Marseilles-Sigon route by 5,000. The Canal carries an annual international traffic of around eighty million tons, three times that of Panama.

This dual purpose it fulfils more than adequately in many respects.

Its area is great enough for the dispersal—discounting the still unknown conditions of atomic warfare—of barracks and depots, and the tactical siting of strong points and airfields.

Its terrain provides for rapid inter-communication. It has a "back door" as well as a front; should the Mediterranean be closed by enemy air or seapower, it can be approached from the south through the Red Sea.

Furthermore, it safeguards the passage of oil from the great fields of the Middle East in Iraq, Iran, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. Last year alone, 40,000,000 tons were shipped through the Canal in tankers. Admittedly, oil is piped overland from some fields to the Zone's refineries, but the existing pipelines are vulnerable to sabotage and aerial bombardment.

Established under the provisions of the 1936 Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, which expires in three years' time, the base became a vast military garrison during the last war. There were 250,000 Egyptians employed in the base; even now there are around 35,000. So, at a word, he could disrupt its functions. He could order his fellow countrymen to down

Nathaniel Gubbins

ON THE MENACE IN A PIXIE HOOD...

"Pixie hoods worn by women are a menace," Birmingham Accident Prevention Committee.

THE committee meant a menace to road safety, but pixie hoods can be a menace in other ways.

I wandered down the High Street, and saw on every hand
A pixie in a pixie hood, straight out of Fairyland.
And some of them were young and bold, and some were old and grey,
But all had come from Pixie-land, and all of them were gay.

I wandered down the High Street, and on my left and right,
From pixie hoods the pixies smiled, with pixie glances bright.
Their pixie eyes had looked up on some strange, immortal things,
Their feet that clopped from shop to shop had danced in fairy rings.

And hid behind each pixie hood were pixie-pointed ears
That knew the language of the birds, the music of the spheres,
That knew the tinkling laughter of the merry gnome and sprite;
That heard the tall trees whispering their secrets in the night.

I wandered down the High Street, and there on every hand
A pixie smiled and seemed to say, "Oh, come to Fairyland!
To Fairyland, and dance with us in some enchanted wood,
And drink with us ambrosia, and live on fairy food."

I nearly went; until I saw, in every butcher's shop,
A pixie smiling archly to beg an extra chop.
And in their fairy shopping bags were magic steaks galore....
I wandered down the High Street, and wandered home once more.

Good Old Days

"EATING OUT IN LONDON," by Mal Manger, is a book that will cause a sensation when it is published. In a chapter describing the good old days, when you could

buy a substantial meal for a shilling or less, Mal Manger writes:

"Going into my favourite restaurant, in those times was rather like going into a steam bath. Steam covered the windows completely, and, inside, steam enveloped the customers in a fog so thick that each seat on the wooden benches seemed like a private room.

"Walters loomed suddenly out of the mist to take your order, like spectres in shirt sleeves, and you were often startled to hear the voice of a fellow diner you could not see shouting in your ear for the condiments."

"In this charming little place, smelling of boiled cabbage and hot fat, where the motto on the wall was 'Cut and Come Again,' you could get a cut off the joint and two vodkas, and a cup of coffee for 1s. 2d.

"There was a generous helping of meat for 6d., all the over-cooked vegetables you could eat (or wanted to) for 2d., a portion, roly poly pudding for 3d., and a cup of coffee for a penny."

"Some gave the waiter a penny tip, though most of us grabbed our change and escaped in the fog before he knew we had gone."

"Another favourite restaurant of mine was an even steamier little place, where the plat du jour was 'Baby's Head—a steak-and-kidney pudding for one person which looked exactly like a baby's head and cost you 4d."

"As the vegetables there were only a penny a portion, and a slice of trifle tart and a cup of tea 1d. each, you could have quite a blow-out for 7d."

"Fred, the head waiter, who wore shirt-sleeves in the winter, and, but for an undershirt, was almost naked to the waist in the summer, always greeted regular customers with a cheery 'Watcha, cock.'

"A speciality of the house was free extra gravy, served by Fred out of a metal basin screwed to a drawer under the counter, and a 1d. slice of bread to mop it up with."

"But nobody was allowed the free gravy until they had first eaten (and paid for) the plat du jour or the a la carte lunch."

On the Phone

"I am glad to hear that she never uses the telephone. Women are not only inaudible, but use it to talk for hours about nothing."—Letter to an editor.

HULLO. Is that you, Mabel?

What?
I said: "Is that you, Mabel?"
Yes, who's that?
This is Lil.
Who?
Lil.
Who's that?
I didn't say anybody was ill.

I said: "This is Lil."
Oh, hullo, Lil. How are you?
I'm all right. How are you?
Oh, I'm all right. How's your Mum?
Who?
Your Mum.

Who's dumb?
I didn't say anybody was dumb. I said: "How's your Mum?"
Oh, Mum's all right. How's your Dad?
Did you say she's bad?

Who's that?
I'm asking if your Mum's bad, Oh, no. Mum's all right. How's your Dad's cough?
Oh, Dad's cough's all right. Coughs all night?
No, I said: "Dad's cough's all right." How's your Mum's head?

Who's dead?
I said: "How's your Mum's head?"
Oh, Mum's head's all right. How's Daisy?
Who?
Daisy, Daisy.

Who's crazy, crazy, crazy?
I didn't say anybody was crazy. I said: "How's Daisy?"
Oh, Daisy? Oh, mustn't grumble.
Who's mumbly?
I said: "Mustn't grumble."

Oh, I see. Well, are you all right?
Yes, I'm all right. Well, that's all right. Yes, that's all right. Who's good-bye then.
Who?
I said: "Good-bye."

I can't hear you.
I said: "Good-bye."

Financial note

"The Kikuyu people have not yet grasped the monetary system. They argue that two of three good sheep or goats will increase to six or more in a year. But one shilling does not bear another shilling."—From an article by James Kenyatta.

If they want to know how one shilling will bear several shillings the simple creatures should write to Cecil D. Doubecross Esq. and to Shark Brokers of Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.2.

—(London Express Service)

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



If Mr. Flackinbacker hasn't finished despatching the satellites in five minutes dinner'll be ruined!



"Don't tell me we're out of cars!"

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

BORN today, you are a dreamer of great dreams. Sometime in the future, you must learn to be a little more practical. You can then go a long way toward making your dreams real. Fortunately, the stars have given you a streak of good practical, common sense, and this will get you over many a hump which others might find insurmountable. Your store of energy is great and you can stick to jobs, long after others have wavered. This is, perhaps, one secret of your ultimate mastery over the world which is yours to be filled with contrasts and even major upsets.

You, too, have the sign's tendency to scatter your energies. You are a born leader, but hate to be troubled down to hard work. You like to manage others. To do this effectively you should first learn to manage yourself. Then the rest is easy! Your critical senses are keen

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Join a group of congenial friends who are interested in some community or neighborhood activity. TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—You may be asked to contribute to some charity organization. Be as generous as your budget will allow.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—This is a good evening to invite to your house those whom you have visited recently. Be cheerful. CANCER (June 22-July 22)—Taking care of a crisis, personally, may prove easier than trying to write or telephone long distance.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)—You may take on added responsibilities, but make sure that you are also adequately compensated for them.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—You can gain an advantage by being constructive if you must criticize someone. Build and correct, don't tear down.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—There are highly favourable aspects for you today. Accomplish some important objective.

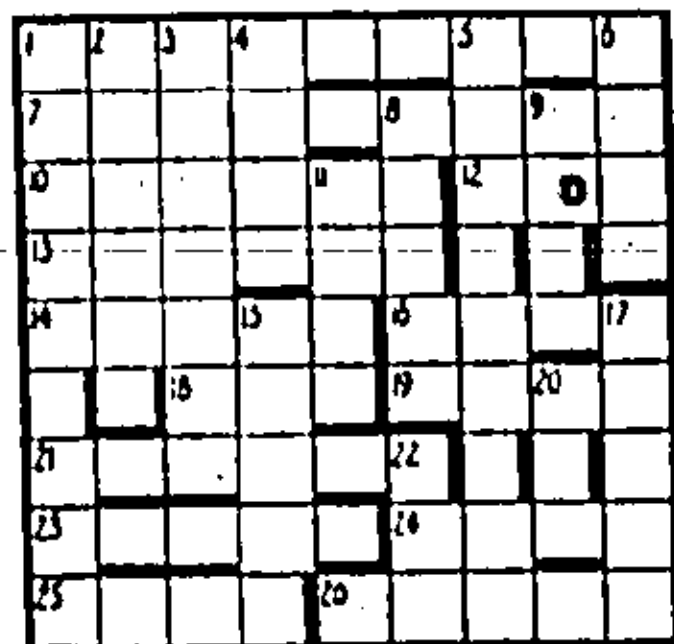
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—If inviting someone to dinner, be sure that you are exact about the time and place.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Conserving your resources just now is probably better than being too extravagant. Add to your savings.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Write an important letter, perhaps applying for a job which will more fully utilize your talents.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Try not to let tensions mount. You will have a lot of work to do, but a careful method helps get it done.

CROSSWORD



Across

- Then cramp changed into writing matter.
- Have a "clap" in a showstop.
- Meaning for the "clap" (4).
- Broken heart of 25 (3).
- Report, sometimes courteous, (6).
- American pear-shaped fruit, (5).
- Into the choice, (4).
- It lives are one over eight, (3).
- Give out a little, (4).
- Over abode, (6).
- Example quoted in the proverb, (5).
- Many people must have for one, (4).
- This age is for travel, (6).

Down

- Literary division (9).
- Way, (6).
- Large nail, (4).
- Enough to make the nose count, (6).
- Verbs that are out, (4).
- The lion will this for 11, (4).
- See 14 for the answer, (6).
- There you have upper, (5).
- Met by moonlight, (3).
- The one way to rest, (4).
- Question of veterinary's nose, (4).
- Unhappy, (6).
- See 10 for the answer, (6).
- Unhappy, (6).
- See 10 for the answer, (6).

DUMB-BELLS

GOOD MORNING! DID YOU HAVE A GOOD NIGHT?



5815 THE LANCER SYNDICATE

WHAT'S HER LINE?

MISS CHLOE STORS

Re-arrange the letters to spell her occupation.

(Solution on Page 10)

BY THE WAY By Beachcomber

FACTORY workers who become tongue-tied when they are questioned at their work by the Managing Director are taking a course in public speaking, to give them confidence.

"Well, Stanforth, what's wrong with that conveyor belt?" "Air, it is with considerable pleasure that I find myself called upon to answer a question which is of concern to us all. It would appear—and in saying this I know that I speak for a considerable number of my friends—that it would appear that an error, trifling though it may be, has been made. I admit, inopportune as it may seem, I must say that I have the greatest respect for the Managing Director's remarks. And may I take this opportunity to say—"

'Beauty draws us with a single whisker'

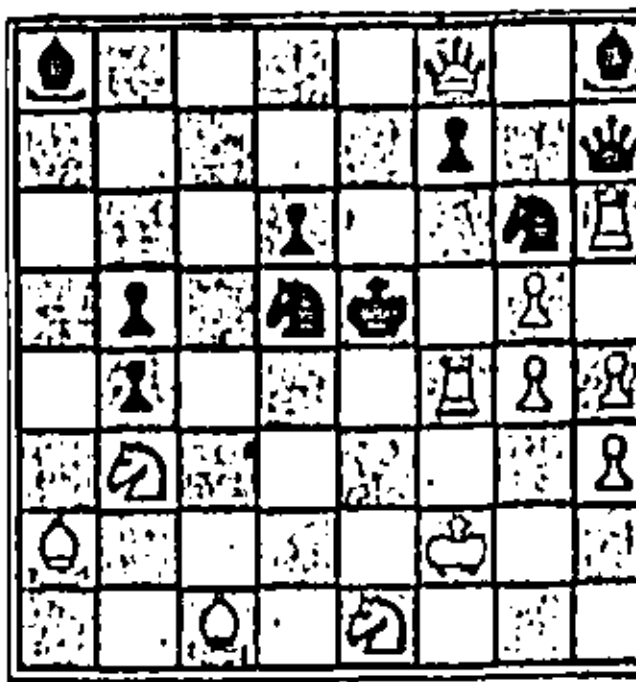
WHEN I read that women are to wear "curled side-whiskers," I said to myself, "And why not the dear little rascals?" But reading on, I found that the passage referred to a way of dressing the hair, so to give an impression of curled whiskers on the cheek. What about a whisker on the cheek? Will romantic young men beg for a single from their own whiskers to press in their volumes of poetry?

Steady, now!

AN announcement that England is to be a year of two will modify the theory that St. Paul's Cathedral is moving slowly down Ludgate-hill. If St. Paul's is to move, the Cathedral will slide into the Thames eventually. If it is not, it will stay where it is. Anyhow, if this slide is to happen, it is all up with the tower of Pisa, which has already tilted as much as is good for it. I gather that the tilting process due to the melting of glaciers in the Arctic. If their rate of melting is accelerated, we may yet live to see buildings moving faster than traffic in London, and this may result in people living in cars and buses, and catching buses when they want to go anywhere.

CHESS PROBLEM

By G. STOCCHI
Black, 10 pieces.



White, 12 pieces.

White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. B-B8; threat 2. R-R5. 1... R-R5; 2. K-K7 (ch); 1... K-K5; 2. B-B7 (ch).

In the first room the English declarer won the first trick with the ace of spades and promptly lost the low diamond from his hand. When West played low, dummy finessed the seven and East won with the jack. East realised that South would not attempt this deep finesse unless he had three diamonds. This meant that

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

A Fly-Back Ride Can Be Fun

—But Knarl Discovered It Was Dangerous, Too!

By MAX TRELL

"I THINK I'll fly around the house," Knarl the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, remarked to his sister Hanid the other afternoon. "Fly around the house! How can you?"

"On a fly's back," the shadow-boy replied. "Just watch me." With that he drew himself together until he was no longer than one of a fly's legs. "Watch out!" Hanid exclaimed in alarm. "If you make yourself any smaller you'll disappear altogether."

Buzzed Loudly

But Knarl stopped just in time. Then he crawled along the window sill until a fly came about. It buzzed as loudly as an aeroplane. At last, that's how it sounded to Knarl. Suddenly he sprang on its back. "Fly me around the house," he commanded. The poor fly couldn't imagine what sort of creature was riding on its back. It started flying around the chandelier in the dining room. Round and round it went.

Knarl waved down to Hanid. "Oh, this is fun!" he cried. "It's the most fun in the world. Everybody ought to ride on a fly's back. It's a shame the children can't do it."

"It's a good thing they can't," Hanid said. "Mother wouldn't want them scotching around the chandelier like that. You'd better not do it either. You'll fall off. Just wait and see."

Knarl didn't think much of what Hanid said. He just told the fly: "We've had enough of flying around the chandelier. Fly into the kitchen. There are lots of things to be seen in the kitchen."

Preferred Open Air

So the fly flew into the kitchen, although it felt much more like flying out through one of the open windows. It much preferred the open air to the inside of the house at this moment. Sure enough, there were lots of things to be seen in the kitchen. There were pots and pans, and dishes, and a bright green linen tablecloth on the kitchen table, and a jar of maple syrup on the pantry shelf.

"Now, look here," Knarl said to the fly, "you've been a very good fly to fly me all around the house. I'm going to show you that I'm a friend of yours. Do you see that jar of maple syrup? Well, you can have it. It's yours."

"Mine?" said the fly in surprise. "You mean I can have it all?"

"Every drop of it!" The fly was delighted. It was certainly glad to have so much maple syrup. It flew around the jar several times, gazing at it through its huge eyes. It spied a large drop of maple syrup right on the cover of the jar. "I'll taste that drop first," it said. Then it flew straight at the drop.

and that's what he got for taking a ride on a fly's back!

Knarl Ouch!

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Knarl Ouch!

WOMANSENSE

SEEN AT SYNTHETIC FIBRE FASHION SHOW



These models were seen at the British Rayon and Synthetic Fibre Association Fashion show. Left: model Barbara Goalen is seen wearing a white brocade ball gown designed by Hardie Amies. Her accessories include long white gloves, a pearl and diamond tiara, necklace, earrings and bracelet. Centre: "Midnight Jewel" worn by Avril and designed by Michael Sherard and "Evening Excitement" worn by Helen Conner and designed by Victor Stiebel. "Midnight Jewel" is a navy blue satin evening gown and is worn with long pink gloves, large diamond necklace, earrings and bracelet. "Evening Excitement" is a red velvet evening coat, white lace evening dress and long white gloves. Extreme Right: The model is again Barbara Goalen who wears an afternoon dress in black and white jersey sharkskin. It is called "Magpie" designed by Hardie Amies.

THE PARIS COLOUR FLOPS IN LONDON

PARIS dictated beige for spring. London designers were cautious, but showed some designs in blonde shades. In the shops it has proved a flop.

GREY is still top seller for spring. After a three-year starring role, paler shades have swung to charcoal tones.

The worst-dressed?

ACCORDING to the secretary of a famous orchestra, "Musicians, not excepting waiters, are quite the scruffiest people in the world." Impeccable dressers like Sir Malcolm Sargent and Sir John Barbirolli will disagree. My worst-dressed list? Next to waiters I would put Chelsea highbrows certain Socialist MPs, most of the men and women

one sees behind the grilles in post offices, and 50 p.c. of British film stars.

Big business, now

HOW the dress world is changing. No longer does the dress designer sit dreaming of dazzling creations. In many cases he is a business man as well.

Today we have Dior in the ready-to-wear business; Norman Hartnell designing mass-produced dresses; and Ange-Therap, the Royal milliner creating inexpensive hats for the stores.

Latest recruit to the fashion business moguls is Digby Morton, who, in addition to London activities, has become a style director of a big American

men's shirt factory.

Says Morton "The days are past when fashion visualisers reclined and fiddled with bits of brocade. I shall concentrate on women's styles of man-tailored shirts, and my aim is to sell 20,000 dozen a year."

Let's hope that Mr. Morton may be tempted to do a little lapping up of men's shirts, too.

It might happen the day when the man in the street can wear Jacques Fath underpants, Dior singlets, socks by Balenciaga, and ties from Norman Hartnell.

Keeping young

I HAVE been trying out spring rejuvenation beauty treat-

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COLONY BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

LADIES' JUNIOR DOUBLES
FINAL THE BEST
MATCH OF THE EVENING

By "ARGONAUT"

Champions of five more events in the Colony Open Badminton Championships were decided in the second night's finals at the Chinese YMCA yesterday.

In the only Senior final of the evening, Ramon Young and Miss Winnie Cheung retained their Senior Mixed Doubles title with a fairly comfortable two-set win of 15-5 and 15-6 over P. H. Wong and Ullan Khoo.

Wong and Miss Khoo made a strong challenge in the opening stages of the game when they held their own up to 4-6, but were gradually overwhelmed by the all-round superiority of their opponents.

The best match of the evening turned out to be the hour-long Junior Ladies' Doubles final which went to the full distance of three sets and reached a thrilling ending in the third set after the score had been tied at 10-10.

A brilliant effort by Stella Correa and Mrs. Margie Rozario at this stage enabled them to take the required two points from their fighting opponents, Bernadine Remedios and Rita Marques, to give them a 15-9, 6-15 and 18-14 victory.

ANYBODY'S GAME
All the four contestants played well above form, and it was anybody's game right up to the end. For the winners,

Mrs. Margie Rozario showed a brilliant return to form, exchanging at the net with her taps and smashes and in her tactical manoeuvres from the back court.

Stella Correa, though a little erratic during the game, brought home a number of court smashes and drops and can console herself with the fact that the crucial last three points of the game all came from her smashes.

Bernadine Remedios was the sheet-anchor of her side and put up a gallant performance in doing more than her share in attempting to cover her partner.

Rita Marques, once again, gave a display that stamped her as one of the most improved players this season. Considering the very short time since she has taken to the game, Rita put up a more than creditable display, being especially prominent with her forehead overhead smashes. A little improvement in her backhand and more competitive badminton will undoubtedly take her a long way in future tournaments.

In the first set, Rozario and Correa wasted no time in taking the offensive and after being held to 6-4, took their lead to 10-6 and 11-9 before Rozario served through four points in a row for set.

Changing their tactics, Remedios and Marques met with instant success when they reverted to a side-by-side combination, with Remedios covering the backhand corner. From 7-0 they sailed comfortably through to 15-6.

A close struggle ensued in the third set as the score stayed even at 3-3, 4-4 and 6-6. Remedios and Marques forged ahead to 9-7 and 10-8 only to see their opponents strike a brilliant spell to score five points in a row and take the lead at 13-10.

Undaunted, Remedios and Marques drew up to 12-13 when Remedios was foot-faulted at the crucial stage.

They, however, kept their opponents from scoring on the next two services and forced the set to decide after a wood-shot by Rozario and took the lead at 14-13.

Three point-winning net smashes by Stella Correa took her partner to a 15-14 lead. Remedios and Marques failed to score on their next two services and Correa came back with another brilliant spell of smashes to complete the set and match by 18-14.

The Men's Junior Doubles final was another close affair with Wong, Kang-chow and M. T. Lam just managing to edge out J. C. Koh and J. A. Motta by 15-12, 13-18 and 15-11.

Koh and Motta started shakily with their offensive game in the first set, falling into repeated errors with their smashes and, despite a spirited recovery, ran 1-12 to 10-12 and 12-13, could not stop Lam and Wong from taking the last two points when Motta wooded a smash and Lam made a well-placed return to a smash.

The second set was more evenly contested as Motta and Koh gained more accuracy with their attacking shots, and finished up with a succession of big smashes by J. C. Koh to win the second set by 18-13.

After being held to a 7-7 score in the third set, Koh and Motta forged ahead to 9-7 and 10-8.

After two changeovers of services, Koh and Motta struck a bad patch when they misjudged two line shots which enabled their opponents to race ahead to 14-11.

Koh and Motta failed to add a single point on their next two services and Motta wooded a smash by Lam to concede set and match at 15-11.

THE RESULTS

Results were: Junior Doubles—J. C. Koh and M. T. Lam beat S. L. Chan and P. L. Chan 15-12, 13-18, 15-11.

Senior Ladies' Doubles—Stella Correa and Mrs. Margie Rozario beat Bernadine Remedios and Rita Marques 15-9, 6-15, 18-14.

Junior Men's Doubles—M. T. Lam and J. C. Koh beat J. A. Motta and J. C. Koh 15-12, 13-18, 15-11.

Senior Mixed Doubles—Ramon Young and Miss Winnie Cheung beat P. H. Wong and Miss Ullan Khoo 15-5, 15-6.

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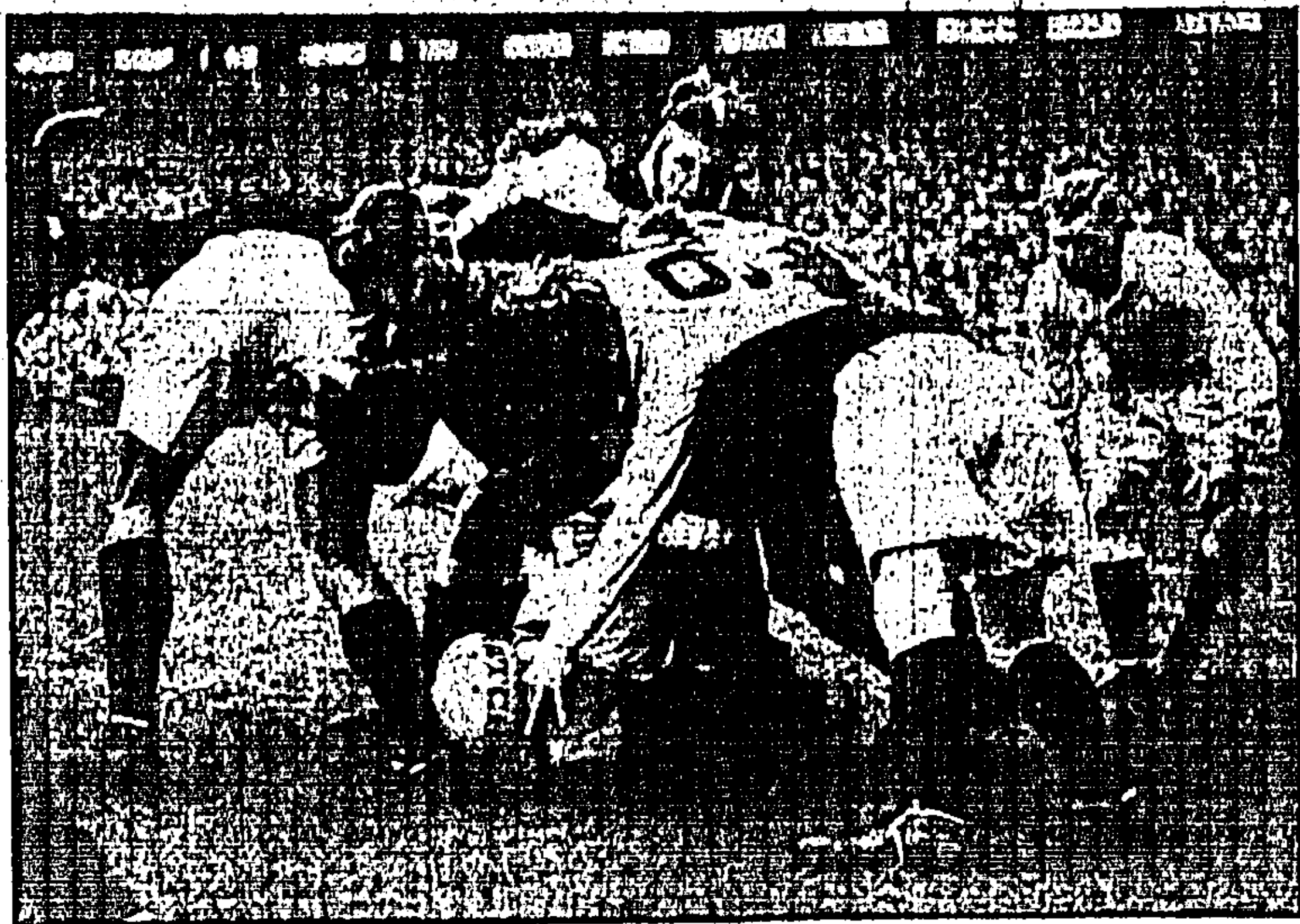
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H. M. A.,
Secretary.

ENGLAND v. SCOTLAND AT TWICKENHAM



E. Evans (England) takes a long reach for the ball in a scrum in the match against Scotland at Twickenham. England won the Calcutta Cup by 26 points to 8.

Frank Sando—One Of
Britain's Greatest
Little Men Of Sport

Britain scored her first success for 16 years in the International Cross Country Race at Vincennes, France, on March 21. With such men as track champion Gordon Pirie, and Jim Peters, of Marathon fame, in the British team, the win was expected.

But, though these men played their part in what is essentially a team event, neither was Britain's hero of the day. The honour belongs to Frank Sando, who came second in the race and was the first Briton home.

Sando is one of sport's little men, not only in stature—he is a bantamweight with his 8st. 2lbs distributed over a wiry 5ft. 7½ in. frame—but in other respects.

Week after week he turns in a good performance, whether for his club or country, over cross-country or on the track. But rarely has he received the publicity he deserves.

His has been the lot of the worthy runner-up—generally to Gordon Pirie. On the track, Sando over country he trailed Gordon for many miles. In the English National Cross Country Championships he hotly pursued the British Champion for ten miles to gain another second. At Vincennes, Pirie was not at his best because of shoe trouble. This gave Sando his chance.

He took it magnificently, running second to the great Yugoslav, F. Mihalic. And to do this, he had to hold off a fierce challenge from Ould Lamine, the wonder-runner from North Africa, who was representing France.

Sando's high position in the placings did much to bring

victory to the British team, but more important than his points value, was his inspiration to the other members.

When Pirie dropped back—he finished 19th—it could have had a demoralising effect on the rest of the team. But in Sando they found a new leader.

NOT THE FIRST TIME

This is not the first time that the young Kent laboratory assistant has come to Britain's rescue. Sando won overland fame for his performance at Helsinki in the Olympic 10,000 Metres.

There, despite losing one of his shoes half-way through the race, he battled on to finish fifth. He beat the previous Olympic record by eight seconds, and his time was faster than any ever recorded by a British athlete.

Frank, known as "The Whippet" because of his size, is 22 years old. A quiet, modest young man, he shows a much enthusiasm when running for his works' team as when representing his country.

He first became interested in athletics while at Maidstone Grammar School. Afterwards he ran with Maidstone Harriers. Then he competed in track events during the summer, merely to keep fit for the winter cross-country season. He had no ambition as an international track athlete.

Thus he might have remained, had not fate in the form of a khaki uniform taken a hand. Competing in a Unit sports meeting during this period of National Service, he surprised everyone by running the mile in 4min. 32.2sec, 1½ seconds faster than the 25-year-old Army record.

A rule that Army record performances must be made at either the individual or team championships, or at the Inter-Services meeting, cost Sando the record. But the performance made him think twice about track running.

Now with Pirie, and Len Eyre, he has become one of the select band to win international recognition in both spheres.

SACRIFICES
It has meant sacrifices—evening training runs racing every Saturday afternoon and even two lunch hours a week partly devoted to a five-mile training spin.

Frank himself is not the only one who has had to make

sacrifices. So too has his fiancée, Miss Sybil Page. Frank's athletic career has severely restricted their nights out together. But she does not complain. She is Frank's No. 1 fan besides being secretary to his firm's sports club.

Frank's size is a great handicap in cross-country running. His short legs do not allow him to make the most of the downhill stretches. But a big heart compensates for little legs, and while physically he will always be a little man of sport, in deeds he may become one of the great.

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Centuries By Worrell
And Weekes Against
India At Kingston

Kingston, Jamaica, Mar. 31.

Centuries by Frank Worrell and Everton Weekes helped the West Indies to gain a first innings lead of 88 over India, with seven wickets to fall, on the third day of the last Test here.

When stumps were drawn, the West Indies, one up in the series, had scored 400 for three wickets in answer to India's 312.

Worrell, showing his best form of the season, hit 171 not out, his first Test century against India and his sixth in international cricket.

Weekes, dropped when 32, made 100, his third century in the current series. He has now nine Test hundreds to his credit, seven of them against India.

The pair came together before lunch and were not separated until after tea, when their third wicket stand was only three short of a double century.

The players and a crowd of more than 10,000 observed two minutes' silence in memory of Queen Mary before play started this morning.

SEDATE START

Pinaudau and Worrell made a sedate start when they continued their innings in warm, sunny weather on a pitch which was still perfect.

The former was uncomfortable against both spin bowlers, Gupta and Mankad, in the first few overs, but he soon settled down to play attractively and reach his half century.

He was completely overshadowed, however, by his brilliant partner, Worrell, who after reaching 50 (eight fours) in 107 minutes, showed little respect for the bowlers.

When the second wicket had added 97 runs in 140 minutes, Pinaudau tried to turn Gupta, but mistimed the ball, which trickled down into his stumps via his pads.

Pinaudau hit six fours in his 58, which took 102 minutes. Weekes began nervously when the spin bowlers played four legstems near the wicket and he was beaten on occasions.

He soon showed his best form, however, and hit Gupta for ten runs, including two fours, in the last over before lunch.

RUGGER RESULT

London, Mar. 31.
St. Helen's beat Rochdale Hornets 8-0 in a Rugby League match today.—Reuter.

H.K. Archers
Hold Shoot At
Razor Hill

Light drizzle with variable cold winds from the North did not dampen the spirit of several ardent archers, numbering approximately 30, at last Sunday's shoot on Razor Hill, N.T.

On their arrival at the Hill, J. Root, Chairman of the Club, and Hicaro Leo, Field Captain, led members along the various routes for the "gold-shoot." Flag-sticks were erected on hill-slopes and in valleys, the distances between each flag being 150 yards to well over 300 yards apart.

There were nine "hoops" in all, and top scorers were: K. K. Wong, 18; A. Crew, 20; G. Ground, 20; Philip Au, 22.

The rest were: George Willerton, 23; R. Vosper, 25; Stephen Liang, 26; Yvonne Oel, 29; Alice Oel, 30; and Rita Martin, 30.

After a brief interval for lunch, archers and novices set off for the "big game" hunt.

"Animals" (made of cardboard and placed on the Hill the previous day) to be "killed" included wild-boars, bears, tigers, lions and giraffes, mingled with squirrels and rabbits.

It was a successful hunt, and the only animal that managed to "get away" with an arrow in its hind quarters was one of the giraffes.

They were shot at a distance of over 50 to 60 yards, vital areas of the animals, namely, the heart and forehead, having been marked with 10 points for each hit.

The safari numbered "kill" 14 out of 15 animals. Top scorers were: A. Crew, 95; G. Ground, 90; Stephen Liang, 90; and J. Root, 80.

Others: George Willerton, 40; Philip Au, 35; Rita Martin, 30.

AROUND THE FRENCH STABLES

Auriban—A Handful At
The Starting Gate,
But High-Couraged

By JAMES PARK

The outstanding performer among the older horses trained by C. H. Semblat for M. Marcel Boussac is the French Derby winner, Auriban.

He has won four of his seven races in two seasons and at least up to a mile and a half there is not the slightest doubt that he is the best of his age in France.

He is something of a handful and his antics behind the starting gate are such that he might not have been tolerated in England.

Yet such is his brilliance that he won the French Derby after losing what has been estimated at between 10 and 15 lengths at the rising of the tapes.

When I saw the colt in his box he looked a picture of health, but it was disquieting when I found he was not out at exercise with the other members of the string.

I am not able to say whether Auriban will stand up to another season's racing, but a look at him in the stable did not reveal any obvious weakness. That sort of thing can only be discovered when galloping.

WITHOUT A WIN
Whatever may be said about the behaviour of Auriban before

the gate goes up, he has proved a high-couraged, thoroughbred. We are not likely to see him in England.

I am not sure that the St. Leger winner of 1951, Talma II, is the horse he was. True to the Boussac tradition, the horse is still in training to find out one way or the other. He failed to win a race last year, and there was not the old enthusiasm when his name was mentioned.

There may be more hopes of Stymphale, who is also a five-year-old and looks and goes well.

The sturdily built Aleinus, third in last year's St. Leger to Tulyar, has thrived and has stamina in excess of speed. I expect he will run for the Prix du Cadran to find out whether he is a Cup horse.

There are a number of four-year-olds still in training

and by far the best is Arbele II. This notable member of a famous family—the dam has already produced Arbar, Caracalla and Mervyns and has a nice two-year-old by Djebel—is still much the same as she was as a three-year-old.

NOT FAIR

It would not be fair to criticise her at this time of the year as, like many fillies, she does not stand up to the winter as well as the colts. Arbele II has a thick coat and the French do not seem to believe in clipping as in England.

Yet she is out with the string every morning and moves as sweetly as ever. She was inclined to carry her head to the right as if favouring one leg, but I shall not be surprised if when the warmer weather comes she blossoms once more.

If so, she might be the stable hope in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Ascot in which she might have been placed last year if the luck had gone her way.

There are 22 three-year-olds in the French stables I have already dealt with the ones who have shown form and are likely to be seen in England. Some of the others have still to run, but I do not anticipate anything proving superior to Pharell among the colts.

In concluding this dossier, I say forget about 1952, and beware of the future.

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THE GAMBOLS

by Barry Appleby



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KBGC Annual Meeting

"The Club is in a very sound position," said Mr. A. L. G. Eastman, the outgoing President of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, at the annual meeting of the Club yesterday.

Mr. Eastman said in his report that an improvement in the Club's bowling activities was seen during the past year, the First Team ending third in the League, and the Second Team acting as a nursery for "up and coming" future champions.

Continuing, Mr. Eastman said, "Our membership shows a drop of 20 members over last year, and this is mainly due to retirements from the Colony or transfers to other parts of the world." He said that he would like to see an increase in membership during the coming year, as there was a drop of approximately \$5,000 in subscriptions.

Commenting on the accounts, Mr. Eastman said that the Bar sales were up by some \$15,000 on the previous year, and that the gross profit was up by approximately \$8,000. He congratulated the Bar Convener and the members for their support.

The profit on the working account was \$7,650, before allowing for depreciation. Of this figure \$7,510 was absorbed in depreciation, and the balance of \$143 was transferred to reserve, while stands at \$29,000.

During the discussion period it was suggested that ladies be allowed to use the Club's bowling greens. Many arguments were advanced for and against the motion. Put to the vote, it was decided that lady relatives of members would be permitted to play lawn bowls subject to certain rules to be laid down by the incoming committee.

The following officers were elected:

Mr. W. L. E. Miller (President), Mr. W. J. Geall (Vice-President), Mr. J. G. Meyer (Secretary), Mr. P. W. A. Wood (Treasurer), Mr. G. E. P. Thompson (Grounds Convener), Mr. G. A. Mackrell (Bar Convener), Mr. G. C. Norman (Bowls Convener).

Committee: Messrs F. C. Cleme, C. E. Terry, W. G. Frost and L. Gaddi.

Balancing Committee: Messrs F. Francis, R. H. Browne, A. P. Goodman, A. J. Locke, A. Buchanan and G. Volckart.

ROUGH PLAY IN SCOTTISH FOOTBALL

By HARRY ANDREW

Let us get down to brass tacks about this rough play business in Scottish football. What is the true state of affairs? The answer in one word is—Shocking!

My argument is based on facts and figures, mostly from official SFA lists. In the seven months this season has lasted so far, almost 150 players have been cautioned.

Fifty have appeared before the Referee Committee. Thirty-three have been suspended.

Six have been severely censured. Seven cases of spectator trouble have been reported. Five officials—two trainers, one manager, two line-men—have had to answer to the Committee.

A RECORD

An SFA man told me it has been the busiest season the Referee Committee ever had. Also a record is the number of meetings.

As well as an investigation into the pending off of Woodburn and Simpson (Hangers) and Murphy (Clyde) a week ago, I can tell you an inquiry is also pending on the crowd "invasions" at the recent Falkirk-Celtic cup tie.

What is the reason for this state of affairs? Do not blame the SFA. They have tried many remedies.

Do not blame the players overmuch either. Too many of them are victims of "pressure" of different kinds.

The referees, then? They are not perfect. But they should be easier. Many of them say to me: "Give us back the authority to talk to players without having to book them. We would have much more control." I think they are right.

But the real blame falls on the clubs. They can control rough play if they wish.

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HKAAA MEETING DECIDES ON SCORING SYSTEM FOR COLONY PENTATHLON

A meeting of the Council of the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Association at the Victoria Recreation Club yesterday decided on the scoring system to be used for the Colony Pentathlon Championships on Sunday, April 12.

The scoring tables adopted were drawn up by the Association Recorder. The tables award 100 points for the minimum performance qualifying for a Colony Standard Medal in any of the events that add up to the Pentathlon and 50 points for a good average "B" Grade performance for a schoolboy or schoolgirl.

Thus, 100 points will be scored for 400 Metres run in 34.5 seconds, 80 Yards Put in 39 feet, a High Jump of 5 feet 8 inches, a Javelin Throw of 180 feet and a Long Jump of 21 feet. Better performances than these will be scored up accordingly in the point award.

Performances scoring 50 points are 64.0 seconds for 400 Metres, 28 feet for the Shot Put, 4 feet 10 inches for the High Jump, 110 feet for the Javelin Throw and 16 feet 10 inches for the Long Jump.

Performances scoring 100 points in the Ladies' Pentathlon will be 13.4 seconds for the 100 Metres Dash, 28 feet for the Shot Put, 4 feet 5 inches for the High Jump, 80 feet for the Javelin Throw and 15 feet for the Long Jump.

To score 50 points, competitors will have to do the 100 Metres in 14.4 seconds, a Shot Put of 23 feet, a High Jump of 2 feet 7 inches, a Javelin Throw of 55 feet and a Long Jump of 12 feet 11 inches.

All intermediate performances will be scored accordingly down to 10 points. For the Men's 400 Metres, 15 feet for the Shot Put, 4 feet 0 inches for the High Jump, 60 feet for the Javelin Throw and 10 feet for the Long Jump.

LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION REPORTS SUCCESSFUL FINANCIAL YEAR

A successful financial year was reported by Mr. Daniel Chen when he presided at the annual general meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association held at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday evening.

The report and accounts, which were unanimously adopted, showed an excess of income over expenditure for the year ended December 31, 1957, amounting to \$3,328.05.

It was decided that entries for the Tennis League close on April 20 and that the League commence on May 11. It was also decided that the number of divisions should remain the same as last year, viz: Men's "A", "B", "C" and "D"; Ladies, "A" and "B"; and Mixed Doubles, "A" and "B".

Mr. Chen said that the President, Li Col II, Owen Hughes was unavoidably absent, having to attend a Memorial Service for the late Queen Mary at St. John's Cathedral. He said Col Owen Hughes might be able to be present towards the end of the meeting.

Col Owen Hughes was re-elected President for the ensuing year. Also re-elected were Mr. Daniel Chen, Vice-President; Mr. G. A. Noronha, Hon. Treasurer; and Mr. Ho Ka-lau, Hon. Secretary.

Members of the Executive Committee elected were Messrs Lee Wai-long, J. W. Leonard and M. Heenan. Elected to the Interport Selection Committee were Messrs P. J. Rawlings, the Hon. M. W. Lo, and Messrs A. S. Augustad, J. D. Mackie and Lee Wai-long.

TOURNAMENT LOSSES

Mr. Mackie mentioned that the Hongkong Cricket Club, which annually sponsored the Colony Open Championships always ran the tournament at a loss. He wondered whether other clubs which sponsored tennis tournaments also sustained losses.

Mr. Lee Wai-long said that the Chinese H.C. also ran the school boys' championships at a loss. They provided prizes for the winners out of their own funds. Mr. Mackie asked whether, in view of its healthy financial position, the Association would be prepared to share part of the loss. He assured the meeting, however, that the Cricket Club would continue to run the tournament again next year.

It was decided to refer the matter to the incoming Executive Committee.

Mr. Lee Wai-long (CRC) and Mrs. Rawlings (LRC) informed the meeting that their respective Clubs would continue to run their hard court tennis tournaments again this year.

ADDITIONAL EVENTS

The Chairman drew attention to additional championship events proposed to be run by the Association. They were Mixed Double, Schoolgirls' Singles and Doubles, and Veteran Singles and Doubles.

RECORDS APPROVED

The following Colony athletic records made during March were ratified by the meeting:

Ladies' 100 Metres—13.1 seconds by Rita Hall.

Ladies' High Jump—4 feet 9 inches by Jennifer Hart.

Ladies' Long Jump—16 feet 6 inches by Rita Hall.

Ladies' Shot Put—30 feet 4 inches by Mrs. J. Van Vliet.

Ladies' Discus Throw—83 feet 3 inches by Mrs. J. Van Vliet.

Ladies' 80 Metres Hurdles—13.9 seconds by Jennifer Hart.

STANDARD MEDALS

The award of the following Standard Medals won at meetings in March other than at the Colony Championships was approved by the meeting:

One Mile, Gar. Derek Coburn; Long Jump, 2/Lt. M. W. Wren; Javelin Throw, Sgt. C. H. Smith; Ladies' Long Jump, Fong Siki; Ladies' Discus Throw, Mrs. J. Van Vliet.

The Hon. Secretary/Treasurer, Mr. F. J. Tingay, told the meeting that the Colony Athletic Championships would show a profit for the Association of approximately \$400.

Members of the Council present were Mr. Raleigh Leung (Chairman), Mr. F. J. Tingay (Hon. Secretary/Treasurer), Mr. Kwok Ling-kwong (Joint Hon. Secretary), Mr. V. Kolatchoff (Reserve), Mr. C. W. H. Long, M.C., Capt. R. MacLaren, F.R.C.S., G. Bowden, F.L.C., W. F. Charles, Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipston and Mr. J. E. P. Blenkinsop.

CAAF Team For Governor's Cup Match

At a meeting of the Hongkong Chinese Football Association held yesterday with Mr. C. S. Wang in the Chair, the following team was selected to represent the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation in the second match of the Governor's Cup Competition:

Pau King-yin (S. China), Hau Yung-sang (Sing. Tao), Lau Yee (S. China), Tang Sum (K.M.B.), Chang Kuo-hoi (Eastern), (Capt.) Tong Sheung (S. China), Ho Yung-fun (Eastern), Lee Yuk-lak (S. China), Au Chi-yin (Police), Yiu Cheuk-yin (S. China), Mok Chung-wah (S. China).

Reserves—Cheung Koon-hing (Kit Chee), Chau Man-chi (Kit Chee), Ng Kee-cheung (K.M.B.), Lee Tai-tai (K.M.B.), Szeto Man (K.M.B.), Lo Kwok-tai (Eastern).

Team manager—Mr. Cheung Kam-tin, Coach—Mr. Tsang King-hung.

The meeting also selected the following to represent the Hongkong Football Association against Combined Services in the Victory Shield match, which will be played on April 15:

Cheung Koon-hing (Kit Chee), Hau Yung-sang (Sing. Tao), Lau Yee (S. China), Tang Sum (K.M.B.), Ng Kee-cheung (K.M.B.), Chau Man-chi (Kit Chee), Ho Yung-fun (Eastern), Szeto Man (K.M.B.), Yiu Cheuk-yin (S. China), Hau Ching-to (Eastern) (Captain).

Reserves—Leung Ting-tong (Chinese Athletic), S.S. Nien (Kwong Wah), Si Pui-yin (Sing. Tao), The Kum-hung (Kit Chee), Lee Chun-fat (K.M.B.), King Leung-cheung (Kwong Wah), Chau Heung-cheung (Chinese Athletic).

Team manager—Mr. Kwok Yung-shu, Coach—Mr. Yu Hing-yung.

FILIPINO VISIT

Manila, Mar. 31. The Philippine Amateur Athletic Association Federation Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Regino Ylanan, disclosed a plan to send a football and football team to Hong Kong for a friendly invasion of Hong Kong, Formosa and Singapore.

At the same time, a track and field contingent may journey to Formosa and Japan for the same reason to gain foreign experience.

Officials of the Hongkong Football Association said yesterday that the only "invasion" that they knew anything about was the Schoolboys' team from Manila who are arriving this week-end to play the combined Wah Yan Schoolboys' team on Sunday.

REFEREE'S MEETING

The Army Football Referees' meeting which was scheduled to take place today has been postponed till April 8.

★ ★ ★ A SEAT IN THE STALLS ★ ★ ★

DAVID LEWIN'S Spotlight on the strangest premiere of all This is the Army, Miss Kelly

- BOUQUET AT 21.55 HOURS
- AUTOGRAPHS TO ORDER
- CHAMPAGNE IN THE MESS

THERE have been some unusual film first nights, but never one like this.

It was the world premiere of a bright new British comedy, "Love in Pawn," and it was "laid on" by the Army.

It began with a three-page (foolscap size) directive headed "Action," and it ended with a champagne party in the mess with Barbara Kelly, Gilbert Harding—and me.

The Army Kinema Corporation decided to celebrate a new-style screen in its Globe Cinema at the REME depot, Arbroath, near Reading, with a dinner-jacket-or-Service-dress plush premiere.

For The First Time

"Love in Pawn" had a remarkable collection of stars;

Bernard Braden, Barbara Kelly, Jean Carson, and Reg Dixon. Remarkable because, apart from Miss Kelly, it was a first feature film for all of them, and because, unlike many British radio or musical stars who try picture-making, they presented such pleasing personalities on the screen.

The Army planning made Hollywood look like a bunch of amateurs. Barbara Kelly came to make a personal appearance, and brought Gilbert Harding (not in the film) to help her out.

Said the Army Kinema Corporation directive for 21.55 hours: "After Miss Kelly has taken her bow she will return, and a bouquet will be presented by a small girl, who will be conducted on to the stage via

the steps from the auditorium by the cinema manager. After the presentation the small girl will retire before Miss Kelly."

Film-fans? The Army thought of that too. "Miss Kelly may wish to sign a few autographs. Miss Kelly and party will leave in due course and will be conducted to the officers' mess."

To make sure Miss Kelly and party arrived at the cinema safely, soldiers flagged the way to the camp along a country lane.

Then, inside the cinema, with two subalterns helping out as ushers, the film showed Miss Kelly pawing her husband for one night to raise £5. The Army laughed.

In the officers' mess the Top Brass met the stars: a general;

three major-generals; four brigadiers.

Barbara Kelly talked about making the film. ("Bernie found it difficult at first. Although he is so fast on the radio, he found it was a little slow for filming.")

Officers circulated with a r. n. k. a. cigarette, and helped to serve the ladies from the cold buffet.

Miss Kelly asked a couple of majors if they went to the cinema often and they replied cheerfully. "Haven't seen a film for ages—Korea and all that." But they thought they might go again after "Love in Pawn."

The party began to break up about midnight, and Mr. Harding said he would like to come back again some time. Every-one said they hadn't been to a neier party in years.

Here's George

★ AFTER the honeymoon is over—what?

The bride was film star Joan Green. The groom was David Green. Harrow-educated son of comedian Harry Green. They were married last month.

HE came back to find he was out of a job.

SHE came back — to ask the Rank Organisation, to whom she is under contract, if they had a part for her. "Nothing we can see at the moment," was the answer.

And during their Italian honeymoon it rained.

Here's George

★ THE DOCTORS were agreed last year: George Formby would have to retire (at 48) because of thrombosis and heart trouble.

Formby stopped working. At 1 a.m. the other day I met him again and George was sun-tanned, after, half a stone heavier, and smiling. "I'm coming back," he said. "I'm going to plunge in and work again. I think I can make it in another musical. The winter in Dublin did it, eating Irish steak and drinking the doctor's orders (this, remember) 8 ozs. of Scotch whisky a day (about six doubles and a single, that is). Relaxes the arteries, they said. So here I am."

It was his first night out in the West End and he was celebrating by watching his old friend Arthur Riscoe opening in cabaret. For Riscoe — man with a face like a friendly pike — it was a come-back, too, after 14 months of illness.

Riscoe, fruitfully telling stories and singing songs, was trying cabaret for the first time. "The only trouble," he said, "is finding that awful gap between 6 p.m. and midnight. Can't even take a snorter when I go to work so late." — London Express Service.

Strange how Soccer coaches have the unhappy knack of causing disharmony in English clubs. We're told that practically every member of a famous Yorkshire club would gladly be transferred — just to get away from the all-powerful coach.

EASTVILLE FITCH PAYS OFF

Bristol Rovers form on this season's hard pitches should kill for ever the theory that they rely on Eastville mud for success. After Rovers had spent more than £15,000 on their pitch, manager Bert Tann told us: "If that sort of spending gets us promotion it will be a good investment."

The expenditure looks like paying off by May 2.

Ask Aston Villa manager George Martin the reason his club is struggling and he'll tell you: "Injuries in the inside forward positions."

England inside-right Tommy Thompson and England reserve Johnny Dixon both missed the vital early matches, and Dixon is again out of action. On his return, a fitness could easily depend Villa's Division I salvation.

Ex-Cup Final referee Jim Whitshire is now comfortably settled in the elder business at his native Sherbourne. In other words, he's still taking the rough with the smooth.

Can the off-side trap help the national effort? It seemed like it as spectators were leaving Highbury after watching Preston playing it. "That's two teams I shan't watch next season, Derby and Preston—they're not worth losing half a day from work to watch," was an oft-expressed view.

Newcastle's Olympic goalkeeper, Ronnie Simpson, a keen golfer off handicap eight, is motoring to the South of France for his holidays and plans to pitch his caravan near Henry Cotton's course at Monte Carlo. The date depends on Newcastle's Coronation Cup progress.

SWITCH FOR WRIGHT?

For the first time since the war, England and Wales skipper, Billy Wright, is having to fight for his place in the Mollie team. On two occasions when Billy has been absent injured, wing-halves Ron Flowers and Bill Slater have turned in the sort of performances which made the dropping of one almost an injustice.

Don't say you weren't warned if the England captain tried at full-back—in an effort to solve Stan Cullis's No. 1 problem.

ROUNDABOUT

Roundabout wishes Jackie Gibbons, ex-Spurs, Bradford and Brentford, the best of luck when he leaves next Sunday for his Belgian coaching job. Jackie tells us: "I had a beautiful house placed at my disposal, my family is looking forward to the move, and the sooner I can get my teeth into the job the better."

How the crowds laugh when anything unworldly happens to the referee. "It's no laughing matter," says Aberdeen's Peter

THE SPORTS ROUNDABOUT

A World Soccer Cup Rumpus Is Brewing

By W. CAPEL KIRBY & DAVID JACK

"Take part in a cut-throat affair among ourselves and hand over five per cent. of the revenue to FIFA for the privilege—not Pygmalion likely!"

That is Scotland's attitude to the proposal that the first and second, or joint leaders, in the annual home international tournament shall automatically go forward to the World Cup competition in Switzerland in the summer of 1964.

Scotland's chief objection is based on the needle element it created in the deciding clash with England — at Hampden three years ago.

Scottish legislators argue that all four countries should be given an opportunity to qualify by a competition coupling, say, Ireland and Finland, Wales and Norway, Scotland and Sweden, and England and Elze.

We understand Scotland will propose a separate knock-out competition between the four countries on the home-and-away basis. And why not? It's only once every four years.

If it's going to be the World Cup let's have it that way and keep it apart from our annual domestic tournament," says a leading SFA official.

YOUNG WOLVES IMPRESS

When Elze selector Joe Wickham visited Villa Park to size up Villa and Everton candidates for the clash with Austria he made a morning call at Mollieaux to study Wolverhampton's much-publicised youth side. On his programme was a star and tick against the name of outside left Leonard Cooper and a large tick against John Timmins, the right half-back.

Cooper is only 5 ft. 2 in., but he impressed me very much," he said. Both players are products of Brierley Hill schools football.

Full marks to Newcastle United for a change of mind which now permits full-back Al McMichael to tour Canada with the Irish international party this summer.

United haven't proved that they're not too big to climb down following Roundabout's hint that they'd made a bad decision.

With Middlesbrough searching for a centre-forward, it was a surprise when they transferred reserve leader 22-year-old Bill Lacey to Aldershot.

BRITAIN TO MEET GERMANY AT ATHLETICS

London, Mar. 31. In the Olympic Stadium in Berlin on August 20 and 30, Britain and Germany will meet in an international athletic meet for the first time since August 20, 1939—a fortnight before war broke out.

Arrangements are also being made for a women's match between the two countries to be staged at Hanover on August 30.—Reuter.

TODAY'S SPORT

Portuguese Army v British Army, at San Val—1.30 p.m.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank v ITCRC at the Club ground, Happy Valley—2.15 p.m.

Wah Yan (Hongkong) Annual Athletics, at the Army ground, Doonagh Street—8.00 p.m.

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"BENARTY"	Genoa, Liverpool, Glasgow and Rotterdam. 10th Apr.
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By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

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...this situation calls for a San Miguel

London, Mar. 31.

To investigate export, post-abbey, a train consignment of six dozen bunches of freshly cut anemones from Cornwall and Devon left London today for Montreal in the "cool chamber" of a cargo boat.

Reuter.

Monks Are Making The Silk For Queen's Robes

London, Mar. 31.

Monks at St. Michael's Abbey at Farnborough, Hampshire, are producing some of the silk which will be used in the Queen's Coronation robes.

In a tiny cell on the fifth floor of their monastery, the monks practice the centuries-old craft of raising silk worms and spinning the fine silk thread from the cocoons.

They use implements which have changed but little in the course of the years.

The silk-form "farm" is within an arm's length of the hand loom on which Dom Edmund, who is in charge of the silk-making, weaves tapestries from his own threads.

Vestments for use in Catholic churches are made in the Abbey. To feed the silkworms a mulberry plantation has been established in the Abbey grounds.

Young mulberry trees, which will not produce enough leaves to feed the worms for several years, cost more than £1 each.

Because of that, the monks asked friends on the Continent to save the seeds of white fruited mulberry and to send them to Farnborough.

So successful have the monks been at raising mulberry trees that they are already producing food for the silk worms.

New Export Lino

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1953.

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DODWELL & CO., LTD. Agent, Hongkong, 27th March, 1953.

A Protest Repeated

Vienna, Mar. 31.

Czechoslovakia again protested to the United States today about the American Mutual Security Act, repeating the charge that it interfered with Czech internal affairs.

The note, the latest in a series which have been turned down by America, was delivered to the American Embassy in Prague.

It rejected an American note of March 4 and accused the United States Government of "continuing the cold war against peace-loving nations."

Czechoslovakia added that the refugees the Americans said they were helping were in reality war criminals and collaborators.

Brisbane Opium Haul

Brisbane, Mar. 31.

Customs men seized four pounds weight of gum opium—worth A£1,000 (£750) on the illicit market—on the British freighter Chakrati, when she arrived here today from Calcutta and Singapore.

Resumption Of Korea Mining

Heerlen, Mar. 31.

Mr. A. Paulen, chief industrial engineer at the State mines here, will leave for South Korea in May to organise the resumption of coal and wolfram mining there.

As head of the mines section of the United Nations Korean Relief Agency, he will plan the reconstruction of the South Korean mining industry.

Reuter.

Drilling Teeth Is Just Fun

New York, Mar. 31.

Toys which make even hard-headed American toy merchants goggle are being shown at the fiftieth annual trade exhibition of the U.S. toy industry, now having a 10-day run in two New York hotels.

The industry's sales last year totalled more than £142 million, and the exhibits are as stupendous as the turnover.

Among them are:

A plastic doll that cries when a lollipop is removed from its mouth.

A space suit with a clear plastic helmet for imaginary trips to the moon.

A set of toy bricks with soluble mortar.

The exhibits are officially described by the sponsors as "educational." Most macabre is a toy dentist's kit, with a miniature plastic jaw, teeth with cavities and drilling and filling equipment.

Education for pleasure things is suggested by a doll whose plastic face is specially made to take kindly to combed. With it goes a miniature make-up outfit.

There is a huge variety of realistic cooking, dish-washing and baby-care sets, aimed to teach girls to face an age when presumably there will be even less domestic help than there is in America now. There are even such "old-fashioned" things as cowboy outfits.

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EMBARKATION: Passengers should embark between 9.30 and 11.00 a.m. on SUNDAY, the 5th April, 1953.

Italy The New Menace To British Textiles

(By Yorke Henderson)

London, Mar. 31.

Japan may have to yield pride of place as the number one bogey of British textile manufacturers. The new menace is Italy.

And already British rayon exporters are searching themselves with speculations about the possible results of an unrestricted flow of Italian rayon goods into world markets.

Cotton manufacturers in England have made plain their concern about the prospect of competing with low-price Japanese cotton piece goods if Britain Colonial markets raise

their bans on non-Sterling imports.

Now Italy, which has been boosting her extensive rayon industry since the end of the war, is offering the same sort of threat to Britain's rayon men. Similarly, Italy is slashing prices with a view of capturing markets, particularly in East Africa and the West Indies.

In East Africa, British rayon exporters do a handsome business with what the trade knows as "two-way club rayon", a basic material much in demand, especially in Uganda.

The British rayon industry makes a wide range of materials, but the head of one of the main rayon exporting concerns in London admitted that, quality for quality, the Italians seem able to undercut British prices.

SALES TO RUSSIA

Prospective customers in East Africa and the West Indies are being offered Italian dress fabrics at 2s 3d and 2s 6d a yard.

For the same sort of material British manufacturers cannot go below about 3s a yard and stay in business.

And the fears of British rayon men are in no way allayed by reports reaching City quarters that Italy managed to sell £2,500,000 worth of rayon fabrics and yarns to Russia during the first 10 months in 1952. Another country making progress in the same field is Czechoslovakia which is offering even Italy keen competition.

Empire Development Finance Company Given A Cordial Reception

Record Taiwan Exports

Taipei, Mar. 31.
Sugar exports from Formosa will hit a record high in April when 172,000 tons will be shipped abroad.

This compares with the previous monthly high of 110,000 tons exported in March 1951.

Of the April total, 80,000 tons will go to Japan, 73,000 to Britain and 19,000 tons to the United States. The sugar shipped to the United States will be bartered for fertilizer—Reuter.

PLASTIC BODIES FOR CARS?

Detroit, Mar. 31.
The car industry will find out this year how much of a market there may be for sports model cars with plastic bodies.

Chevrolet has announced definitely it will build 300 such cars this year; Kaiser-Frazer plans an even larger number. The "test run" to be conducted by these manufacturers undoubtedly will determine what several other car makers will do about plastic body automobiles.

Several top car producers have been experimenting for years with plastic bodies. However, none of them is prepared to say what price tags will have to be put on the cars that so far have been purely experimental.

There may or may not be significance in the fact that Chevrolet, the world's largest car maker, has decided to feel out the retail market for a plastic body car. Chevrolet's announcement said that while 300 of the plastic models are planned for this year an even greater number will be built next year.

Of course the project could be dropped even before the 1954 model season if retail demand doesn't measure up to expectations.

It is fairly well understood throughout car circles that a car with a plastic body cannot be assembled as quickly as can the standard steel body type. The plastic that goes into the type of sports cars shown at the various car shows during the last few months requires a lot of costly handling, shaping, treating and reinforcing.—Associated Press.

Spanish Production Of Steel

Aviles, Spain, Mar. 31.

Spanish steel production is expected to surpass 1,500,000 tons annually by 1953, according to estimates of the National Industrial Institute.

Spain's current annual production is estimated at 800,000 tons. Government officials said this figure would be increased to 1,300,000 tons within the next two years with completion of large-scale modernization and plant expansion at present under way.

By this figure must be added the 350,000 tons of steel to be produced annually by the new Aviles plant. Plans call for this plant to be producing by 1956-7.

The new £10,000,000 plant will be built by the British engineering industry. The bid represents the biggest and most important single order that British industry has received since before the war.

Under agreement terms a total of £6,000,000 worth of orders will be placed with British firms. The remaining £4,000,000 will be placed under the supervision of British contractors.—United Press.

New York Sugar Futures

New York, Mar. 31.

World sugar futures closed today 1 1/2 to 7 points lower with sales totalling 77 contracts.

Contract No. 4 closed unchanged at 4 points lower with sales totalling 77 contracts. The weakness in the outside commodity markets, plus the further drop in securities and the dullness in the raw market, furnished a combination attractive scattered liquidation in both contracts.

Prices closed as follows:—
Contract No. 4 (world) 3.12 bid
May 3.14 bid
September 3.16 bid
October 3.18 bid
January 3.20 nominal
March 3.22 nominal
May (c.o.b. Cuba) 3.13
Contract No. 8 3.10 bid
May 3.12 bid
September 3.14 bid
October 3.16 bid
November 3.18 bid
Spot (c.i.f. New York) 3.10

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As the financial Times comments: "The directors of the Commonwealth Finance Company hope that, in time, the knowledge that a small amount of capital is being provided by themselves will confer on an investment project the same kind of status in the world's capital markets as is given by the name of a London acceptance house to a bill."

"It is by this means that the London financial skill can be widely and fruitfully spread over a great variety of resources."

The doubts that remain about the usefulness of the new company are chiefly related to the difficulties of setting aside resources, from internal savings as well as from balance of payments surpluses, for investment in the Commonwealth.

These problems are certainly not minimised by the formation of the company, but it is clear that much valuable work remains to be done.—London Express Service.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$525,935.40. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:—

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
East Asia	148		
INDUSTRIALS			
Union	705		
SHIPPING			
Asia Nav.	740		
DOCKERS, ETC.			
K. Wharf	101		
N. P. Wharf	610		
Dock	1820		
Provident	1140 1115 5500 6 1115 250 6 1140 400 6 1115 400 6 710		
Wholesale			
LAND, ETC.			
H.K. Hotel	725 740 5500 6 740		
H.K. Land	62 57 100 6 50		
Shai Land	115 100 6 50		
Humphreys	1310		
UTILITIES			
Tram	2115 300 6 2140		
Star Ferry	102 100 6 102 100 6 925		
C. Light (O)	0.90 400 6 0.90 250 6 10 250 6 10		
C. Light (N)	0.53 100 6 0.45 100 6 0.45 100 6 0.45		
Electric	22.80 200 6 22.80 200 6 22.80 200 6 22.80		
Telephone	17.00 17.00 1000 6 17.40 4100 6 17.70		
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	14.50		
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy	20.20 100 6 20.10 100 6 20.20 100 6 20.30 100 6 21.00		
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Grain Prices In Chicago

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LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Mar. 31.

The tin market was very weak today. Turnover was 170 tons, including 35 tons for cash. Prices closed at the end of the official morning session as follows:—

to attract foreign investment in Commonwealth develop- ment schemes.	Spot tin, sellers	911 1/2
	Business done at	920-910
	Three-month tin, buyers	915
	Three-month tin, sellers	920
	Business done at	907 1/2-920 1/2
	Settlement	910

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Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local

unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—
U.S. dollar (per \$1) 1.24 1/2
Sterling note (per £1) 1.24 1/2
Indonesian guilders (per 100) 1.24 1/2
Siamese baht (per 100) 1.24 1/2
SIC plaques (per 100) 1.24 1/2

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES



PASSENGERS/FREIGHT SERVICE

Outwards	Leaves	Arrives	For
"FELIX ROUSSEL"	17 Apr.	18 Apr.	Manila
"LA MARSEILLAISE"	17 Apr.	18 Apr.	Yokohama
"FELIX ROUSSEL"	20 Apr.	21 Apr.	Manila
"LA MARSEILLAISE"	23 Apr.	24 Apr.	Yokohama
via Marseilles to all Mediterranean and West Africa ports, via Djibouti to Madagascar.			

FREIGHT SERVICE

Outwards	Leaves	Arrives	For
"MEINAM"	Dunkirk—sailed	3 Apr.	Japan
"MONKAY"	Antwerp—sailed	8 Apr.	Japan
"COURSEVILLES"	Leaves	2 Apr.	For
"MEINAM"	Keelung—23 Apr.	30 Apr.	
"PEI-HO"	Keelung—23 Apr.	30 Apr.	
"MONKAY"	Keelung—23 Apr.	30 Apr.	

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9.00	(Direct)	7.45	(Direct)
10.00	(Direct)	10.20	(Direct)
11.00	(Via Ping Chau & S. M. B.)	11.00	(Via S. M. B. & Ping Chau)
11.30	(Direct)	11.15	(Direct)
1.10 p.m.	(Via Ping Chau & S. M. B.)	1.30 p.m.	(Via S. M. B. & Ping Chau)
1.30	(Direct)	1.45	(Direct)
4.20	(Direct)	3.00	(Direct)
4.30	(Via Ping Chau & S. M. B.)	4.30	(Via S. M. B. & Ping Chau)
5.00	(Direct)	6.30	(Direct)
6.15	(Direct)	6.40	(Direct)

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1.30 p.m.	(Via Ping Chau)	5.00	(Direct)
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**JOHN CLARKE'S
CASEBOOK**

When Life Grows Dim

RECKONED in years, Alfred is in the prime of life, for he is only 62. But sickness and loneliness, and the despairing that comes when these two are linked, have made an old man of him.

He is an Irishman, who came here from County Wicklow during the war, to work in a munitions factory. Since the war ended, he has had many jobs, and several times has been seriously ill. His last job was in Oxford, where he worked as a dustman, and it was there that he was last taken ill. He collapsed in the street with a recurrence of the trouble that had dogged him for so long.

Alfred was taken to one hospital, and when it was found there that his recovery would be a slow business, moved to another. He liked the first, but at the second he was less happy. The treatment he was given, no doubt, left nothing to be desired, but Alfred could not get along with his fellow patients. The fault was possibly more his than theirs, for his premature old age had made him suspicious and quick to take offence. He had, indeed, become a peevish old gentleman.

A NEW CAREER

THERE came a time, the other day, when Alfred decided he could no longer endure the company the hospital ward provided. Against the advice of everyone, he discharged himself. Alfred still had a few shillings left from the last wage, but he had drawn as a dustman. He spent them on a seat in a London-bound bus, and arrived here like an ill, ancient Whittington to start a new career.

In the small hours of the morning following his arrival, a policeman found Alfred asleep in a doorway in the West End. The policeman woke him and told him he must go to some officially recognised place of shelter.

FRAIL AND TIRED

ALFRED, a bald, angular-faced man, whose cheeks are unhealthily high-colored, said: "I'm not going anywhere." He was arrested, and next day at Bow Street, he admitted that he had wandered abroad and lodged in the open air. He looked frail and tired and weak, and seeing him, the magistrate, Mr. Bortman, once ordered that he should be remanded for a medical report.

When Alfred was next brought into the dock, the doctor's report on him was handed to the magistrate, who, when he had read it, called Mr. Haines, the probation officer, into the witness-box.

LETTERS UNANSWERED

MR Haines replied: "I should think it's most unlikely. The only place he would fit into now would be an institution for the elderly people. He's got a brother, but there have been no replies to the letters we've sent to the only address this man has for him."

"Does your brother take any interest in you?" the magistrate asked Alfred.

"Why, yes, I should think he does, I should think he does," said Alfred, repeating the phrase as if he hoped to make the words come true.

Yet he doesn't seem to write back," said the magistrate.

"No, and that's a funny thing, isn't it?" Alfred said lugubrously, looking as if he found his brother's silence anything but funny.

YES, I'LL GO

MR Haines interposed: "I could get him into an institution today."

"Are you willing to go there?" the magistrate asked Alfred.

"Yes, I'll go," he said at last.

"Well, you must stay there, you know, become accustomed to it," said the magistrate. "You may get a better outlook on life if you do. I'll discharge you conditionally upon your going there."

"Thank you," said Alfred, though rather perfunctorily, as if he were "thank you for nothing much," and he went off to the old people's institution, to seek there a brighter outlook on life.

Lyttelton Replies To Debate On Kenya

London, Mar. 31. Undeterred by last week's Mau Mau massacre of loyal Africans 25 miles from Nairobi, the British and Kenya governments remain determined to stamp out terrorism and restore peace, Mr Oliver Lyttelton, the Colonial Secretary, assured the House of Commons tonight.

He was replying to an emergency debate called by the Opposition to discuss the massacre.

Mr Reginald Paget, Labour, who was the prime mover in getting the debate, suggested suspending the Kenya Constitution, forming a stronger government and transferring General Templer from Malaya to Kenya.

He urged the government to recall General Templer from Malaya and give him complete power in Kenya.

"Give him political officers," he said, "tell him not merely to pacify the country, but to build up a proper foundation for the native government."

The government should tell General Templer, or whoever was sent out, to start with a clean sheet, form a new government, make it strong and by resolution and justice and interest in the native population "re-win for Britain the confidence of the people who ought to trust us."

Mr Lyttelton, replying to the debate, denied that he was out of sympathy with all progressive movements in Kenya.

Claiming that Mr Paget had made only one constructive suggestion, that of moving General Templer from Malaya and putting him up as Supreme authority in Kenya, Mr Lyttelton said: "I don't think I ought to devote very much time to the hatching of inconsistencies which Mr Paget delivered."

"We are all agreed that we want to build a common society in which, inter-racial co-operation is raised to the highest level possible," he said.

He urged the Opposition to give a little more help to the government in Kenya.

So far all the Commons Kenya debates had paid lip service to the cause of suppressing terrorism and proceeded to exacerbate the situation by interposing remarks and criticism of the settlers, the Kenya government and the British government.

He concluded: "We are going to get this terror down and restore peace—not with the object of one race or another dominating the Kenya situation, but so that Kenya can be built up by all races to a prosperous and peaceful future."

Mr Paget's motion was negatived without a vote.—*Reuter*.

GIRL CHANGING SEX

Milan, Mar. 31. A 13-year-old "girl" from the village of Livraga has undergone the first of a series of surgical operations to change her sex and turn her into a man, it was learned here recently.

The case of Maria Pozzoli became known in January when Dr. Gianni Mappelli, the only physician at Livraga, reported to Milan medical authorities that Maria was slowly but definitely turning into a man.

He recommended a series of operations to keep up the process.

Maria, the fourth child of a farmer's family, was brought to Allan's Surgical Hospital recently and placed under the care of Professor Carlo Lorenzetti.

A few days ago, Professor Lorenzetti himself performed the first surgery. The second will take place within 20 days and the whole series will be completed in a period of three or four months.

DOUBT Doctors had no doubt that Maria, who entered the hospital wearing a skirt, will leave it wearing trousers and bearing a masculine name—probably Mario.

Dr. Mappelli, in his report to Milan medical authorities, tentatively diagnosed Maria's physical anomaly as a case of "false hermaphroditism."

The diagnosis of Professor Lorenzetti and his collaborators at Milan's Surgical Hospital was not divulged. The girl was kept in rigorous segregation after the attempts made by dozens of photographers and newsmen last January to interview her at her home village of Livraga.

When Maria's father and mother noticed a definite change in the voice of the girl into one of a masculine nature, and the growth of what looked like a man's beard on her cheeks, they summoned Dr. Mappelli, and his report somehow leaked out to the press.—*United Press*.

Christie Charged With Murder

(Continued from Page 1)

night on a street only about half a mile from Rillington Place.

Police found the doors of the van had been broken open and someone had slept there but had left.

The bodies found had been dead for varying periods of from weeks to months when a Jamaican discovered them as he cleaned the flat before becoming his new tenant.

Neighbours thought Christie, a polite but uncommunicative man, had been living in the flat during the last three months. But it has been established that he paid only occasional visits during this time.—*Reuter*.

Man Shoots Catholic Nuns Istanbul, Mar. 31. Police said two French Catholic nuns were shot and seriously wounded today at Saint Benoit College here by a man who accused them of trying to convert his sister.

The nuns were identified as Sister Marie Sophie Camman, a visiting inspector of the Order of Sister of Charity with headquarters in Paris and Sister Anna Hubert.

Police identified the aunt's assailant as Dimitri Eleftheriadis, an accountant of the Greek Orthodox faith. They said he admitted shooting the nuns after accusing them of trying to convert his sister, Anastasia, a graduate of Benoit College.—*Associated Press*.

Duke Of Edinburgh In Germany



The Duke of Edinburgh (wearing dark glasses) on a recent tour of inspection of British Forces in Germany, watched a demonstration by camouflaged mortar crews of the 1st Battalion Royal Hampshire Regt., and 1st Battalion Essex Regt., at Sollan.—*London Express*.

McCarthy's New Surprise Move

Washington, March 31. Senator Joseph McCarthy today arranged a surprise meeting tomorrow with the Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, in an effort to win approval of his personal campaign to cut off trade with Red China.

The Wisconsin Republican said he was sure Mr Dulles would "agree wholeheartedly" with his plan to ask Greek ship owners in London to remove another 150 vessels from trade with Red China, North Korea and other Communist Far Eastern ports.

Senator McCarthy already has obtained a pledge from Greek owners in the United States to remove 242 ships from such trade—an action sharply criticized by the Mutual Security Administration. Mr Harold Stassen, as "undermining" broader administration efforts to halt the flow of goods to the Communists.

Senator McCarthy gave no indication that he would drop the controversial project if Mr Dulles did not give his approval. The Senator noted that he was free to work directly with individuals, whereas the State Department must work through other governments.

"MISUNDERSTOOD" He expressed "complete" surprise at the angry criticism by Mr Stassen, the Senator's erstwhile political ally, and insisted that his plan had been "misunderstood." He said it would do more to curb trade with China than the State Department's own pact with the Greek government.

In the meantime, informed sources said Vice-President Richard Nixon had been trying to smooth over the new rift between Senator McCarthy and the Administration. The Senator suffered a resounding defeat in the first round when Mr Charles Bohlen was confirmed as Ambassador to Russia.

However, Senator McCarthy did not wait to see what Mr Nixon could accomplish. He had the staff of the Permanent Investigative Committee, of which he is chairman, to arrange a lunch meeting with Mr Dulles at the State Department at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

The White House, in the meantime, declined to say whether President Eisenhower would support the plan.

Radio Hong Kong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 0.02 Journey into Melody with Philip Wang and his Orchestra. 0.30 Forces Bandstand—Band of the Royal Military School of Music and the Hong Kong Police Band. 1.00 World News and News Talk (London Relay). 1.15 Songs from the English Countryside—A Selection of Folk Songs sung by Jan van der Gucht and the BBC Singers with the Hong Kong Quartet (D.C.T.B.). 1.20 Orchestra of the West-End National Symphony Orchestra. 1.25 News Report. 1.30 D.D. Variety Requests presented by Mrs. Margherita (Studio). 1.40 Piano Recital by Adeline Wang (Studio). 1.50 Wednesday Theatre—The Clock by E. H. Tregon—Produced by the Hong Kong Theatre. 2.00 Time to Dance with Gordon Jenkins and his Orchestra (with vocal). 2.05 Weather (Recorded London Relay). 2.15 Goodnight Melody—Goodnight Melody. 2.30 News. 2.35 News. 2.40 News. 2.45 News. 2.50 News. 2.55 News. 3.00 News. 3.05 News. 3.10 News. 3.15 News. 3.20 News. 3.25 News. 3.30 News. 3.35 News. 3.40 News. 3.45 News. 3.50 News. 3.55 News. 4.00 News. 4.05 News. 4.10 News. 4.15 News. 4.20 News. 4.25 News. 4.30 News. 4.35 News. 4.40 News. 4.45 News. 4.50 News. 4.55 News. 5.00 News. 5.05 News. 5.10 News. 5.15 News. 5.20 News. 5.25 News. 5.30 News. 5.35 News. 5.40 News. 5.45 News. 5.50 News. 5.55 News. 6.00 News. 6.05 News. 6.10 News. 6.15 News. 6.20 News. 6.25 News. 6.30 News. 6.35 News. 6.40 News. 6.45 News. 6.50 News. 6.55 News. 7.00 News. 7.05 News. 7.10 News. 7.15 News. 7.20 News. 7.25 News. 7.30 News. 7.35 News. 7.40 News. 7.45 News. 7.50 News. 7.55 News. 8.00 News. 8.05 News. 8.10 News. 8.15 News. 8.20 News. 8.25 News. 8.30 News. 8.35 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